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June
New WSCS fiscal year begins
Pledge and budget made for year
Pledge reported to District Promotion Secretaries and District Treasurers
Hold Officers' Training Day in local societies and zones
Promote "Widening Fellowship," and plan to enlist every church-woman as a member
Order program and worship books "A SOWER WENT FORTH" and new Prayer Calendar
Present Supply askings

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Present Supply askings

July Jurisdiction School of Missions, Mt. Sequoyah — June 30-
July 7
Guild week-end, July 24, 25 and 26th, Camp Brewer

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July 7

Guild week-end, July 24, 25 and 26th, Camp Brewer

August
Local Treasurers' first quarter reports due District Treasurer,
August 5th
School of Missions and Pastors' School, Centenary College,
Shreveport, August 24-28.
Local officers make out reports for Secretary of Promotion
to mail August 31

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- September** Seven District Missionary Education Seminars
Begin Study, "Life and Task of the Church Around the World"
Order material for Week of Prayer and Self-Denial
- October** Begin or continue study, "Life and Task of the Church
Around the World"
Mid-year Executive Committee meeting, Mac Donell Methodist
Center, Houma, La., October 13, 14, 15
Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, October 26-31
Plan observance of United Nations Day, October 24
- November** Local treasurers' second quarter reports due District Treasurer,
November 5th
Local officers make out reports for Secretary of Promotion
to mail November 30
- December** Plan Special membership month
Observe Student Recognition Day, December 27th
- January** Plan recognition service for new members
Focus attention on goals and indicate progress
Cooperate with Pastor in church-wide study, "Heritage and
Destiny"
Begin the study "The Prophet Jeremiah"
- February** Elect a nominating committee
Local Treasurers' third quarter reports due District Treasurer,
February 5th
Day Apart service held during Lent
Continue study "The Prophet Jeremiah"
Local officers make out reports for Secretary of Promotion
to mail, February 28th
- March** Election of local society officers
Send a list of local society officers to District Secretary of
Promotion
World Day of Prayer March 5th
Begin study on "Spanish-speaking Americans" or "Alcohol and
Christian Responsibility"
Annual meeting WSCS, Rayne Memorial Church, New Orleans,
Louisiana, March 24, 25, 26th
Wesleyan Service Guild annual meeting, New Orleans, La.,
27 and 28th
- April** Pledge paid in full
Annual District meetings
Continue study on "Spanish-speaking Americans," or "Alcohol
and Christian Responsibility"
Easter Sunday - April 18th
- May** Install officers
Change circle membership
Pledge service for new year
Check goals for completion of year's work
All officers give report of year's work
Make plans for Officers' Training Day
Begin study not held in previous months
Local treasurers' fourth quarter reports due District Treasurer,
May 10, including all available funds
Local officers make out annual reports for Secretary of Pro-
motion to mail May 31st
The Assembly, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 25-28, 1954

In Remembrance

"Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

'Tis hard to take the burden up,
When these have laid it down;
They brightened all the joy of life,
'They softened every frown;

But, oh, 'tis good to think of them,
When we are troubled sore!
Thanks be to God that such have been,
Although they are no more;

More home-like seems the vast unknown,
Since they have entered there;
To follow them were not so hard,
Wherever they may fare;

They cannot be where God is not,
On any sea or shore;
Whate'er betides, Thy love abides,
Our God forevermore.

John White Chadwick .

This page is lovingly dedicated to the memory of all those brave souls who labored the past year, and all the other years gone by to make possible the place women have in Bringing in His Kingdom, and have now reaped their reward.

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March 14, 15, 1953

First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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PROGRAM

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD, March 14, 15, 1953

First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

10:00 A.M.—Registration, Parlor, First Methodist Church

12:30 P.M.—Executive Committee Luncheon

AFTERNOON SESSION—CHAPEL

2:00 P.M.—Organ Prelude

Convening of Second Annual Conference of the Wesleyan
Service Guild, Miss Mary Gladys Page, Presiding

Hymn: "Lord, Speak to Me".....No. 460
Worship

Scripture Miss Dorothy Dunbar

Prayer..... Miss Helen Adams

Appointment of Committees

Report of Registration Committee

Introduction and Announcements

Secretary's Message

Guild Hymn

Guild Reporting Time

4:15 P.M.—Tea at the Governor's Mansion

6:40 P.M.—Business Meeting—Chapel

Report of Research Committee

Balloting

7:00 P.M.—Dinner honoring Woman's Society of Christian Service,
Tharsean Class Room, Miss Lillian Kennedy, Presiding

Sacrificial and Love Offering for

Mildred Anne Paine and Mabel Ruth Nowlin

EVENING SESSION—SANCTUARY

8:15 P.M.—Organ Prelude

Hymn: "We've a Story to Tell".....No. 501

Worship..... Miss Elizabeth Thompson

Special Music

Address..... Miss Lillian Johnson

Guild Hymn, last stanza

Benediction..... Dr. Warren Johnston

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

7:15 A.M.—Breakfast—By Districts, Tharsean Class Room

8:30 A.M.—Morning Worship—Sanctuary

10:00 A.M.—Organ Prelude

Report of Committees

Address—"Giving Our Best"..... Miss Gertie Stiles

Special Music

Address

Guild Hymn—last stanza

Benediction..... Mrs. F. G. Phillips

12:15 P.M.—Buffet Luncheon, Gymnasium Youth Building

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MONDAY, MARCH 16

12:30 P.M.—Executive Committee Luncheon—Mrs. H. S. Phillips, 2959 E.
Lakeshore Drive, Courtesy Baton Rouge District Officers

2:00 P.M.—Executive Meeting

6:30 P.M.—Executive Dinner—First Methodist Church, Courtesy of
Woman's Society of Christian Service, First Methodist Church
"THY KINGDOM COME"

TUESDAY, MARCH 17
MORNING SESSION

**"For the kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the
governor among nations." Psalms 22:28**

9:30 A.M.—Registration in Fellowship Hall, W. W. Holmes Memorial
Wesley Foundation Building, 3350 Dalrymple Drive.
Coffee Hour, Courtesy of Woman's Society of Christian Service
Istrouma Methodist Church

11:00 A.M.—Organ Prelude
Hymn: "From All the Dark Places".....No. 483
Convening of Thirteenth Annual Meeting Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey
Opening Worship.....Mrs. T. M. Ellis
Welcome.....Mrs. W. D. Curtis
Welcome to the Campus.....General Troy H. Middleton
Order of Business
Presentation of Program
Committee Appointments
Confirmation of Guild Secretary
Report of Recording Secretary.....Mrs. E. E. Stewart
Introductions and Announcements

12 N. —Quiet Hour
Vocal Solo.....Miss Mary Baldwin
"Steps to Spiritual Power—the Bible"....Mrs. Dana Dawson

12:30 P.M.—Fellowship Luncheon, Wesley
Foundation Building.....Mrs. W. D. Curtis, Presiding

AFTERNOON SESSION

**"For the Kingdom of God does not mean food and
drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the
Holy Spirit." Romans 14:17 R.S.V.**

1:30 P.M.—Organ Prelude
Hymn: "Spirit of Faith Come Down".....No. 183
President's Message,
"Exploration Unto God"....Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey
Conference Officers' Hour....."Disciples of the Kingdom"
Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Conference Secretary of Promotion, Presiding
Hymn: "O Zion, Haste".....No. 475
Address: "Our Common Goal".....Miss Lillian Johnson
Benediction.....Rev. James L. Stovall

6:30 P.M.—Dinner at South Dining Room, Hatcher Hall
"Thy Kingdom Come Through the Students of the World" ...
.....Mrs. William E. Trice, Presiding

EVENING SESSION

**"The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard
seed, which a man took and sowed in his field . . .
the least of the seeds, but when it is grown it it the
greatest among herbs . . ." Matthew 13:31, 32**

8:00 P.M.—Organ Prelude
Hymn: "Heralds of Christ".....No. 482
Scripture and Prayer.....Rev. Edward W. Harris
Vocal Duet "How Beautiful Upon the Mountain".....Harker
Mr. and Mrs. Gunvard Hansen
Offering

Scripture and Prayer.....	Dr. William E. Trice
Offering.....	
Anthem.....	University Methodist Church Choir
Address "The Price of Discipleship".....	Miss Dorothy McConnell
COMMUNION SERVICE.....	Dr. Trice, Presiding
Benediction.....	Rev. Allen O. Jernigan

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

MORNING SESSION

"The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms
of our Lord, and of his Christ." Revelation 11:15

- 8:00 A.M.—Coffee Hour, Courtesy of Woman's Society of Christian
Service, North Baton Rouge Methodist Church
- 8:30 A.M.—Organ Prelude
Hymn: "From All the Dark Places"..... No. 483
Worship..... Mrs. G. W. Dameron
Order of Business
Recommendations
Report of Special Committees
Resolutions
Place of Meeting for 1954
"Giving of Self and Gifts for His Kingdom"
Mrs. J. T. Folk, Mrs. C. I. Jones, Mrs. F. E. Kennon
- 11:00 A.M.—Quiet Hour
Vocal Solo Miss Mary Jean Stobaugh
"Steps to Spiritual Power—Prayer".... Mrs. Dana Dawson
Hymn: "My Jesus as Thou Wilt"..... No. 330
Benediction Dr. Warren Johnston
- 12:00 N.
Buffet Luncheon, Wesley Foundation Building
Courtesy, Methodist Churches of Baton Rouge Zone

"May the kingdom of God be realized in (through) me."

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Glenn E. Laskev
Vice-President.....	Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick
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Recording Secretary.....	Mrs. E. E. Stewart
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Secretary of Student Work.....	Mrs. W. E. Trice
Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild.....	Miss Mary Gladys Page
Secretary of Supply Work.....	Mrs. Sam Dunbar
Secretary of Spiritual Life.....	Mrs. W. W. Paxton
Secretary of Status of Women.....	Mrs. F. C. Haley
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Pages	Mrs. Dale Bennett
Communion	Mrs. F. J. Mechlin
Hospitality and Information	Mrs. M. C. Perrine
Fellowship Luncheon	Mrs. T. P. Heard
Sacrificial Luncheon	Mrs. G. H. Burleson and Mrs. R. S. Reich
Buffet Luncheon	Mrs. I. W. Carson
Student Dinner	Mrs. E. W. Harris
Missionary Education Dinner	Mrs. Julius O'Quin
Registration Coffee	Mrs. F. J. Mechlin
Tea	Mrs. Glen R. Nordyke
Poster and Printing	Mrs. Allen O. Jernigan
Publicity	Mrs. Charles Price, Sr.
Church Arrangements	Mrs. R. O. Coopender
Executive Committee Luncheon	Mrs. S. J. Fairchild
Executive Committee Dinner	Mrs. John E. Cox
Prayer Chapel	Mrs. E. N. Bowles and Mrs. Mae Parrent

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

1953-1954 Calendar of Activities

JUNE:

General: 1. New officers take over at the first June meeting. 2. Start plans for going to Camp Brewer — if you are really interested in a first class Guild — and having fun, too. Car load a saving.

President: 1. Be sure that every officer and chairman has received all records and other material from officers of past year. 2. That some form of Officer Training has been or will be held at an early date for 1953-1954 officers and chairmen.

Promotion Secretary: When records are received check immediately to be sure 4th Quarter and Annual Reports have gone in and that all four quarters are recorded in the Record Book.

Literature and Publications: 1. Order Program and Worship books and WSG Prayer Cards. 2. Check or set up record showing each subscriber with expiration date for Methodist Woman, World Outlook, Louisiana Methodist and Christian Advocate. Renew 2 months advance of expiration date — Be a good subscription agent.

Missionary Education: Have all four Approved Studies been completed? If not arrange now to complete before September.

JULY

Week End: July 24-25-26, Friday night through Sunday! Your Guild can not afford not to be represented. The more the better. Complete plans early — get reservations in on time — AND GO.

General: Have you planned an outdoor meeting for July or August?

Treasurer: 1. July 15, close your books for 1st quarter, make out both copies of report in Record Book. 2. Give proper copy to WSCS Treasurer with money for 1st quarter not later than July 18.

Program Committee: 1. Evaluate programs of past year — begin plans for 1953-1954, for both regular meetings and Study Classes. 2. Time now to make up Program Calendar for 1953-1954.

President and Promotion Secretary: October is Guild Emphasis Month. Promotion activities should be planned now with your Program Committee, your Pastor and WSCS President and/or Promotion Secretary.

AUGUST

Missionary Education: 1. Attend Conference School of Missions at Centenary College, August 24-28. Make reservations. 2. Get from Conference Secretary copies of 1953-54 Study Course outlines for use in planning courses in your Guild.

President: 1. Staff meeting not later than the 28th and after last August meeting if possible. This is to: (a) Check up on your 1st quarter's work; (b) Help Promotion Secretary get her report filled in accurately, completely and on time; (c) Make plans for next quarter — then have fun, too.

Promotion Secretary: 1. Send in 1st quarter's report not later than August 28 (made up in staff meeting, I hope). 2. Before mailing complete all 3 copies of report. 3. Give 1 copy to WSCS Promotion Secretary, mail one to your District Secretary, one copy left in book.

SEPTEMBER

Missionary Education: If possible, you and all those who will teach the Study Courses should attend Seminar in your area. Watch dates.

Vice President: Distribute Program Calendars, if not already out.

Literature and Publications: Time to order Week of Prayer and Self Denial literature.

OCTOBER

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD EMPHASIS MONTH in the church

General: Keep your Guild Emphasis activities rolling, — good for surveys and to get in new members.

Treasurer: 1. October 15, close books for 2nd quarter. 2. Make out all copies of 2nd quarter report in record book. 3. Give proper copy to WSCS Treasurer with money for 2nd quarter not later than October 18.

Spiritual Life: Week of Prayer and Self Denial—urge all members to attend and contribute generously. (Stress self denial.)

NOVEMBER

President: Staff meeting for report and half-way mark check up.

Promotion: Send in 2nd quarter report not later than November 28.

Literature and Publication: Make up lists of religious magazines and books to distribute as suggested Christmas gifts.

DECEMBER

General: Time to start making plans to attend WSG and WSCS spring Conference in New Orleans.

JANUARY

Treasurer: 1. January 15 marks end of your 3rd quarter. 2. Close books, make up both copies of report. 3. Give money with one copy to WSCS Treasurer not later than January 18.

FEBRUARY

President: 1. Elect nominating committee during February or March.
2. Third quarter staff meeting—before 28th.

Promotion: Send in 3rd quarter report not later than February 28.

Spiritual Life: World Day of Prayer—urge all members to attend.

MARCH

President: If nominating committee has not been elected, do that now.

Treasurer: URGE all members to complete pledges before April 20.

Literature and Publications: Order and get material ready for Officer Training Day—discuss with your President.

Conference: Every Guild should have one delegate—all who can should go.

APRIL

President: 1. Election of 1954-55 officers. 2. Pledge service.

Treasurer: 1. Close books April 20, 4th quarter due 22nd. 2. Mail Annual Report to District Secretary by April 25. 3. Call meeting of Finance Committee to prepare budget from pledges made in April.

Promotion: IMMEDIATELY AFTER ELECTION mail list of new officers to District Secretary. THIS IS A MUST.

MAY

General: Adopt new budget. Payments after April 20 apply on 1st quarter.

President: 1. Give written report of year's work at business meeting. 2. JOINT STAFF MEETING, OLD AND NEW OFFICERS and chairmen, exchange of records. Instruction. 4th quarter and annual reports.

Promotion: 4th quarter and Annual Reports due May 28. Complete and mail before turning all records over to new Secretary.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE MEETING

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

March 14-15, 1953

Following an organ prelude by Mrs. James Christie, the Second Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, in cooperation with the Woman's Society of Christian Service Annual Meeting, was convened by the Conference Secretary, Miss Mary Gladys Page, in the First Methodist Church of Baton Rouge at 2:00 P. M. on March 14, 1953.

The opening worship consisted of a prayer hymn, "Lord Speak To Me," by the congregation, the reading of Matthew 25:14-46 by Miss Dorothy Dunbar and a prayer by Miss Page.

The following committees were appointed:

Courtesies: Mrs. F. G. Phillips and Mrs. R. W. Smith.

Communications: Mrs. Minza Rabun and Miss Edith Robinson.

Recommendations: Miss Eleanor Fleming, Miss Mat Powell, Mrs. Estelle Currie, Mrs. Myrtle Gordon and Mrs. Sybil Farr.

A report of 125 registrations was made by Mrs. Sybil Farr, Chairman of the Committee on Registrations.

Guest speakers, Miss Lillian Johnson, New York City, Wesleyan Service Guild Executive Secretary, and Miss Gertie Stiles, Fort Smith, Arkansas, South Central Jurisdiction Wesleyan Service Guild Secretary, were introduced and then members of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild Committee: Mrs. Glenn Laskey, President; Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Conference Promotion Secretary; Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, Conference Secretary of Supply Work; and the District Wesleyan Service Guild Secretaries: Miss Dorothy Dunbar, Alexandria District; Miss Lillian Kennedy, Baton Rouge District; Miss Helen Adams, Lake Charles District; Mrs. Minza Rabun, Monroe District; Miss Emma Kuntz, New Orleans District and Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Shreveport District. The Committee on Communications was instructed to send messages to absent members, Mrs. Mildred Baxter, Ruston District Guild Secretary, who was ill, Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Conference Treasurer and Mrs. C. I. Jones, Conference Secretary of Missionary Personnel.

The Conference Secretary's short message was based on the thought of "Facing Today" which led up to her recommendation to the Conference of the addition of new members to the Conference Wesleyan Service

Guild Committee to make possible further progress in the total program of the employed women of the Methodist Church in Louisiana through the Wesleyan Service Guild, without an overload on any member. This same recommendation carries through the District Committee, adding that in her opinion the work had progressed just about as far as it can under the present work load of the Conference and District Secretaries.

The address of the afternoon was made by Dr. W. Earl Hotalen, Director of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation, "Called to the Kingdom for Such a Time as This." The challenge to the Wesleyan Service Guild to further the education of youth to the dangers of alcohol.

The election of a Conference Secretary, to serve the one year unexpired term of Miss Page, was made necessary by her election as a member at large of the Guild Standing Committee of the Woman's Division. Miss Lillian Kennedy, Chairman of the Research Committee, presented the name of Mrs. Minza Rabun of Bastrop, Secretary of the Monroe District and spoke in her behalf. Nominations from the floor were called for but none were made and a motion was made and seconded that the nominations be closed. Mrs. Rabun, well known and loved by the Conference, received a unanimous acclamation vote and Mrs. Laskey asked for the privilege of presenting her to the Conference, led her to the platform and with an arm about her very graciously and warmly presented her to the Conference as the new Secretary who would take over immediately following the Conference and her approval by the Woman's Society of Christian Service Conference which immediately followed this Conference.

The afternoon session was closed by singing the Guild Hymn and the benediction by Miss Graee Lawson, former Conference Secretary. The group was given about forty-five minutes for visiting the Literature Room before going to the tea at the Governor's Mansion.

At 4:15 p.m., the gracious First Lady of the State was at her door to greet the guests. The Baton Rouge Guilds had provided orchids for Division, Jurisdiction and Conference officers who were in the receiving line. The spacious rooms were lovely with spring flowers and an air of friendly informality prevailed the entire party. Presidents of the hostess Guilds poured. They were Miss Eleanor Fleming, First Methodist; Mrs. Vertice Matheny, Istrouma; Mrs. Harvey Johnson, North Baton Rouge; and Mrs. S. L. Roper, University Methodist Church.

SATURDAY EVENING

At 6:00 o'clock, approximately 150 guests assembled in the Gymnasium of the Youth Building for a Sacrificial Dinner, with Miss Lillian Kennedy presiding. (Because of the strenuous schedule for these meetings, many having worked Saturday and driven miles to attend the meeting, some of whom will be driving back after the evening program while others stay through the meeting and drive back Sunday afternoon and report to work early Monday morning, these dinners have been made substantial but minus the fancy extras that run the cost up.)

The tables were lovely with spring flowers and each place was marked with a plastic foam cross on the base of which was a small yellow candle. The menus which included the program for the dinner hour held also a folder of matches. After a very beautiful and impressive candle light service, led by Miss Lillian Kennedy, the entire group fell into line to place their sacrificial offering on a table where the light from the candle at the base of the cross fell on an open Bible. This offering had been designated for Supply Cash to be divided equally between Miss Mabel Ruth Nowlin, who had been guest of honor at the First Annual Conference Meeting held in Monroe in October, 1951, and who has recently gone to Malaya to help prepare Christian literature, particularly for the young people of that area, and Miss Mildred Anne Paine, Director of Ai Kei Gakuen, Social and Evangelistic Center, at Tokyo, Japan, who had been the guest of honor and principal speaker at Guild Week End at Camp Brewer, 1952. These two foreign missionaries known as Guild Projects, are supported by the

Wesleyan Service Guilds. They, with their work are now referred to as "Special Interests" rather than projects.

After presenting the offering the line continued past the service window where the entire group was served in a very few minutes with a very delicious meal provided by Mrs. Charles J. Rupp, dietician, and Mrs. John E. Coxe, Board member in charge of the kitchen, assisted by members of one of the circles of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

SATURDAY EVENING MEETING

Following the organ prelude by Miss Jeanne Kathryn Damron, the evening session opened with the congregation singing the hymn "We've A Story To Tell".

The opening worship was led by Miss Elizabeth Thompson, the Director of Rural Work in Louisiana, who is one of the Special Interests of the Wesleyan Service Guild in the home field and loved by all.

Miss Martha Jane Damron, accompanied by her sister, Miss Jeanne Kathryn Damron, sang Mozart's "Alleluiah" in her clear lovely voice.

The principal speaker of the meeting was Miss Lillian Johnson, who brought the total program and value of the Wesleyan Service Guild alive and offered a challenge to all who heard her to go back to their local community and enlist more employed women in the active program of the Guild.

Miss Martha Jane Damron then sang "Come Unto Him" from Handel's Messiah and after the singing of the last stanza of the Guild Hymn as a prayer hymn, Miss Helen Adams gave the benediction.

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 1953

Mr. Bill Mann, Director of Youth Work at First Methodist Church, sang "My Lord And I" and Miss Betty Sue Scott sang "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked." After breakfast the entire group went in a body to attend the 8:30 morning preaching services in the sanctuary, after which they went to the Women's Clubhouse for the morning session.

MORNING SESSION

Miss Mary Frances Stanford at the piano played a medley of worship hymns as a prelude.

A skit, "Guild Reporting Time," was presented, depicting the total reporting schedule and the channels which these reports follow each quarter. We had the unusual privilege of having a full line of officers for this skit, Miss Johnson, Division Executive Secretary, Miss Gertie Stiles, South Central Jurisdiction Secretary, Miss Page, Conference Secretary, the District Secretaries, and the Baton Rouge First Church Guild represented three local Guild units, dramatizing three ways of preparing a report leading up to the method that a well organized Guild with all officers present at a staff meeting and each officer with up to date records ready to make her report. Miss Stiles and Miss Johnson pointed out how essential complete and accurate reports are to the officers who must use them to evaluate the work of her total area and determine where there are weak areas that need help.

Before time for the 11:00 o'clock service the Boy's Double Quartet with their accompanist, Miss Jeanne K. Damron, came over and provided a worshipful break in the morning session as they sang, so effectively, several selections.

Reports were made by the committees. Mrs. F. G. Phillips gave the report of the Courtesies Committee (which is attached). Mrs. Sybil Farr reported 159 as the total registrations—with some of those who attended the Saturday night dinner and program not having registered. Miss Frances Dunbar reported that the Sacrificial offering had amounted to \$260.00.

In a brief business session the Conference went on record as favoring the addition of three members to the Conference Guild Committee, namely,

Spiritual Life, Missionary Education and Service and Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities with the provision that others might be co-opted when necessary. Following the suggestion of Miss Johnson, it was decided that these three members would be elected by the Conference Guild Committee after a research committee had made a study of available persons for these places, the research committee to be appointed by the Conference Secretary.

Miss Emma Kuntz extended the invitation for the Conference to meet in New Orleans in March, 1954, assuming that the Woman's Society of Christian Service Annual Conference Meeting would be held there at that time.

The address of the morning was made by Miss Gertie Stiles who took for her subject, "Giving Our Best." This excellent address proved a high point on which to close the Conference and topping off two days association with our new Jurisdiction Secretary made us very proud of her and happy that we will be able to work with her for the next four years.

The Baton Rouge Guilds were hostesses at a buffet luncheon served in the gymnasium and this relaxed hour of fellowship was very much enjoyed and deeply appreciated by all. After hearty expressions of appreciation to the Baton Rouge folks who had served as hostesses to this Conference, goodbyes were said and the meeting was truly at an end.

Mary Gladys Page
Conference Secretary

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COURTESY

The Committee on Courtesy wishes to submit the following report on behalf of the visiting Wesleyan Service Guild members, to this Second Annual Louisiana Conference.

We have been delightfully entertained and wish to express our gratitude to those who have contributed in making this Conference a most pleasant, inspiring and memorable occasion. Therefore, we extend our thanks and appreciation to the following individuals and groups:

To Dr. and Mrs. Warren Johnston and other members of Baton Rouge First Methodist Church for making available the beautiful church as the seat of the Conference.

To Lillian Kennedy, Baton Rouge District Secretary, who has so capably served as chairman of the hostess Wesleyan Service Guild group, and through her efforts has made our stay pleasant, profitable and enjoyable.

To the presidents and other members of the four hostess Wesleyan Service Guilds of Baton Rouge Methodist Churches for the friendly, wholesome atmosphere which has prevailed during these two days.

To the various committees, who have so thoroughly planned and so efficiently executed the numerous activities of the Conference--including the committees on registration, transportation, decoration, publicity, programs, the inspiring music, the preparation and serving of the well-prepared meals, and the planning of the lovely tea in the Governor's mansion.

To Mrs. Robert F. Kennon for making available the facilities for the tea in the mansion and for her gracious hospitality and warm friendliness as she greeted everyone.

To Mrs. Glenn Laskey and other members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for their presence and participation in the Conference program.

To Mrs. Glenn Nurdyke for making available to the Wesleyan Service Guild members literature, displayed during the Conference.

To Mary Gladys Page, Conference Secretary, who has given of her time, talents and energy in planning the Conference program and working out the intricate details.

To Dorothy Dunbar, Conference Publicity Chairman, who so thoroughly disseminated information throughout the Louisiana Conference by means of news-release bulletins.

And to the speakers, who have brought to us the inspiring and challenging messages.

Respectfully submitted:

Ruby G. Phillips

Octavia Smith

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Homer.....	Mrs. Howard I Barber..... Homer, La.
Jonesboro.....	Mrs. J. E. Hearne..... 818 S. Polk St., Jonesboro, La.
Minden.....	Miss Marian Taylor..... Minden, La.
Ruston: Trinit, Unit I.....	Miss Eola Brewster..... P. O. Box 342, Ruston, La.
Virginia Laskey Unit.....	
Springhill.....	Mrs. N. J. McConnell..... P. O. Box 74, Springhill, La.

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Secretary: Mrs. F. G. Phillips, P. O. 398, Plain Dealing, Louisiana

Benton.....	Mrs. Josie H. Johnson.....	P. O. Box 26, Benton, La.
Coushatta.....	Mrs. Maude Stothart.....	Coushatta, La.
Haughton.....	Mrs. G. W. Smith.....	Haughton, La.
Logansport.....	Mrs. James Russell.....	Logansport, La.
Mansfield.....	Miss Bessie W. Pickels.....	307 Martha Ave., Mansfield, La.
Many.....	Mrs. Glen Phares.....	Many, La.
Plain Dealing.....	Mrs. Alton L. Keoun.....	Plain Dealing, La.
Shreveport: Broadmoor.....	Mrs. Lola Ussery.....	149 Ockley Dr., Shreveport, La.
First Church, Unit I.....	Miss Hetty Ecker.....	656 Kirby Pl., Shreveport, La.
Unit II.....	Mrs. Jack B. Alexander.....	417 Albany, Shreveport, La.
Mangum Mem., Unit I.....	Mrs. R. W. Smith.....	2417 James St., Shreveport, La.
Unit II.....	Mrs. Lily Carter.....	2602 Stonewall St., Shreveport, La.
Morningside.....	Mrs. Henry W. Witte, Jr.....	5333 Bienville St., Shreveport, La.
Noel Memorial.....	Mrs. Earl F. Nugent.....	1436 W. Kirby, Shreveport, La.
Park Ave.....	Mrs. J. T. Tadlock.....	2631 Lakeshore Dr., Shreveport, La.
Summer Grove.....	Mrs. R. P. Valentine.....	Route No. 2, Box 338-G, Shreveport, La.
Wynn Memorial.....	Mrs. B. R. Lightfoot.....	4636 Rightway, Shreveport, La.

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

October 28, 29, 30, 1952

Pineville, Louisiana

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service met for its mid-year meeting on October 28, 1952, in the Pineville Methodist Church. Upon arrival, the members of the committee were served coffee by the women of the Pineville Society.

The meeting was called to order at 4 p. m. by the president, Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey. The opening worship was led by Mrs. George E. Powell, president of the Alexandria District. She used as the basis of her remarks a chapter from "The Mighty Saviour" by Bishop Arthur J. Moore. It was entitled "The Credentials of a Life Lived for Him." Mrs. Powell closed the worship period with prayer.

The secretary, Mrs. Elmer E. Stewart, called the roll, which showed the following Conference officers present: Mesdames Glenn Laskey, F. E. Kennon, Elmer E. Stewart, Lee Tidwell, Warren Constant, P. D. Lambert, W. W. Paxton, J. T. Folk, J. C. Whitaker, Sam B. Dunbar, F. C. Haley, C. I. Jones, and Miss Mary Gladys Page. District Members present were: Mesdames George E. Powell, J. H. McSween, John Galloway, R. O. Coopender, Horace Denison, Roy Dugas, M. L. DeFreese, E. S. Middleton, Otis Welch, W. F. Manning, Jr., Glenn Bryant, Clarence O. Day, and Miss Juanita Porter. Conference Worker, Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Jurisdiction officer, Mrs. J. B. Pollard; and member of the Women's Division Mrs. G. W. Dameron.

The District vice presidents had been extended special invitations to attend this meeting, but only one was able to attend, viz, Mrs. Charles Price, Sr., of the Baton Rouge District, who was welcomed at this time.

Absences were noted and Mrs. Clarence Day and Mrs. W. W. Paxton were appointed by the president to send suitable messages to the absent members.

The president, Mrs. Glenn Laskey, reported her activities since the last meeting, which showed many meetings attended, much accomplished, and much inspiration received.

Reports were called for.

Mrs. F. C. Haley, Secretary of Status of Women, reported an increase of 60 Status of Women secretaries within the past four years, making 190 now reporting. She noted that this being election year, the most outstanding activity of her department had been the National Citizens Roll Call of Methodist Women, with some secretaries reporting 100% registration and voting in their local communities.

Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, Secretary of Supply Work, reported a slight loss in Supply giving in the first quarter as compared to the first quarter of last year, but there has been an overall gain in the Jurisdiction of \$4,000. She also reported that she had visited five of the six institutions in the Conference, supported by the Division, and had found a great need in the Indian work at MacDonell Center, and mentioned that Dulac Indian Mission and MacDonell Center now share a Rural nurse, which is a great help in both places; Peoples Community Center, New Orleans, is now in its new quarters, which are modern in every respect, but they still need supplies; Sager Brown Home is now using its new dormitory to advantage; Business Girls Inn, Shreveport, has asked that they be removed from the askings list, as there is no serious need at this time; St. Mark's Community Center, New Orleans, has gone through a period of renovating and re-decorating, and with new paint is quite nice; they have two new workers. The need of a new truck for that institution was presented, and after some discussion, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

At this time, Mrs. Laskey read a letter from Alexa McCain, missionary to India from Louisiana, in which she sent greetings and thanks for supplies sent to her by the following societies:

Noel Memorial, Shreveport	Mangum Memorial, Shreveport	Lake Charles
First Church, Shreveport	Lake Arthur	Church Point
Greenwood	Basile	Longstreet
Lottie	Monroe	West Monroe
Ruston	Haynesville	DeRidder
First Church, Baton Rouge	Ferriday	Colfax
Alexandria	Ringgold	Winnfield
Coushatta	Homer	Tallulah
Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans		First Church, New Orleans

The president reported on the Student Workers in our colleges. The work at Lafayette has been reopened with the wife of the pastor, Mrs. D. W. Poole, in charge; Miss Ann Adams is serving her second year as Counsellor at Northwestern; Miss Pearlye Maye Kelly is on leave from Louisiana Tech at Ruston, and has not been replaced. Miss Annie Alford, from Mississippi is substituting at present.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard, secretary of Missionary Personnel of the South Central Jurisdiction, told about her work with the students at Tulane and Newcomb. This work is not under the Woman's Division, but under the Church Board.

The meeting adjourned at 6 p.m. for a delicious dinner served in the dining room of the church by members of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Pineville Church.

At 7:30 p. m. the business session was reconvened.

Mrs. Warren Constant, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, reported that the annual School of Missions was held on the campus of Centenary College from August 25 to 29, 1952, with a total attendance of 244, and 175 credits issued. The three approved studies were taught by five accredited teachers; Four Workshops were offered, and eight Departmental Clinics were held. The financial report showed \$425.65 to account for, and expenses amounted to \$355.09, leaving a balance in the School of Missions account of \$70.56.

The first quarter's report showed 239 out of 266 local secretaries reporting. During that quarter there were 173 study classes; 15 J. R. Classes; 11 Efficiency classes, with a total enrollment of 2564.

There were eight District Seminars held during the last two weeks of September. The program set up by the Jurisdiction School of Missions was followed. More than 1,200 attended. Offerings amounted to \$309.87, with expenses amounting to \$308.49, leaving a balance in the Seminar fund of \$1.38. To date 512 Study outlines have been sold.

The Secretary of Youth Work, Mrs. J. T. Folk, reported next, offering a suggestion that during the year the local societies sponsor tours to the various institutions of the church within the Conference, to acquaint the youth of the church with the work that is being done. She outlined the many points of contact she had had with the young people of the Conference.

In connection with this, Mrs. Laskey announced that a Christian Vocations Conference will be held at Centenary College, January 9, 10, 11, 1953, for High School seniors only. She also read a request from the Rev. Don Wineinger, Chairman, for a display of material at this conference. The Missionary Personnel Committee was appointed to handle it.

Dr. Earl W. Hotalen, Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation spoke briefly of his work in alcohol education, and suggested to the Conference that it continue its support, as he now plans a youth organization which will necessitate the purchase of Visual Aids, as well as other office equipment. After some discussion, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Secretary of Missionary Personnel, Mrs. C. I. Jones, reported these additional volunteers for Christian Service: Miss Martha Fay White, of LeCompte, who was commissioned to go to Malaya, at the recent meeting of the Board of Missions, and Miss Dorothy Douglas of Gilliam, Louisiana, who is studying at Scarritt. She also presented the new materials for her

department, now available at Literature Headquarters, and stated that action by the last General Conference eliminated the Missionary Personnel Committee in the local society, making it a church wide committee with one member from the Woman's Society.

Mrs. Pollard added to Mrs. Jones report by saying that the Louisiana Conference was the only one in the Jurisdiction that reached the goal set for the quadrennium for new workers, fourteen having been accepted and eleven now serving in various fields.

After a short break for coffee, served by the local ladies, reports were resumed.

Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Treasurer, reported that last year's pledge to the Woman's Division had been met in full by using some of the surplus funds, and hoped that this year's pledges will be sufficient to make a 5% increase in the total pledge.

Mrs. J. C. Whitaker, Secretary of Children's Work, reported 214 local secretaries, with 189 reporting the first quarter. She regretted that the number of Supply boxes directed to our institutions by the children was rather small, but was happy that Children's giving in additional sessions amounted to almost \$40,000 in the Division, which is an increase of more than \$3,000 over last year. She urged that the Children's Service Fund be emphasized by the local secretaries of Children's Work.

The Wesleyan Service Guild Secretary, Miss Mary Gladys Page, reported that there are now 84 Guilds in the Conference with a membership of 1729, and a per capita giving of \$6.32. She had represented the Conference at the Jurisdiction School of Missions, and held the Conference Guild Week-end at Camp Brewer during the summer.

After prayer by Mrs. J. B. Pollard, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p. m., to meet again at 9 a. m. the following morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 29, 1952

The Executive Committee resumed its business session at 9 a. m. in the Pineville Church. Rev. G. W. Dameron, pastor host, led the morning devotions, using Prayer as his topic. After a period of silent prayer by the group, Rev. Dameron closed with prayer.

Mrs. Laskey reported that the contract of Miss Neomi Windham at MacDonell Center had been renewed in the Spring, but since that time she had decided to make a change in the type of work she would do, and is now working in a local church in Dallas. She also reported that at the request of the vice president, Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Mrs. S. J. Fairchild has been placed in charge of Special Memberships, and has been added to the Finance Committee.

Mrs. G. W. Dameron was introduced as a new member of the Board of Missions, representing the South Central Jurisdiction. She told the group something of the organizational meeting held recently at Lake Junaluska, and some of the duties of her new office.

There was a short recess, and coffee was served by the hostess society.

Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Secretary of Promotion, presented a comparative chart of the first quarter's report, showing standings of each District. The report showed the total number of Societies 294; Guilds 84; with a combined membership of 13,730. The percentage of societies reporting to the District Promotion secretaries were:

Alexandria District 81 %	New Orleans District 85 %
Baton Rouge District 96 %	Ruston District 83 %
Lake Charles District 97 %	Shreveport District 100 %
Monroe District 96 %	

Mrs. Tidwell urged all District Promotion secretaries to seek to make their District 100% in reporting. A check chart of the Goals was explained by Mrs. Tidwell, suggesting actual ways by which the goals may be reached. These charts have been sent to all local and District officers.

Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Secretary of Literature and Publications, stated that 232 local society secretaries reported the first quarter; that the book rooms at the District Seminars sold more than a thousand dollars worth of books and helps, averaging almost \$1.00 per person for those

who attended. There are now 2679 subscribers to the Methodist Woman, and 1330 subscribers to the World Outlook; 35 societies report every officer a subscriber to the Methodist Woman, and 7 societies report every officer a subscriber to the World Outlook.

Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation, told of interesting phases of her work in attending the Jurisdiction School of Missions at Sequoyah; the Conference School of Missions at Centenary College; four of the District Seminars; two days with the Guild at Camp Brewer, and more recently a Retreat with the women of the Baton Rouge District. She reported 112 Prayer Groups, and 287 secretaries, with only 192 reporting the first quarter. She set two goals for the year: more prayer groups, and 100% reporting.

Mrs. Laskey attended the Area Council held recently in Little Rock, as a representative of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society. She stated that the month of February, next, has been designated as Tithing Month for the entire church.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. E. T. Wayland, Co-editor of the Louisiana Methodist, in which she asked for material for the Woman's Society page in that paper. Officers were asked to send suitable material to Mrs. Lambert, secretary of Literature and Publications, who will channel it.

The president appointed a committee composed of Mrs. W. F. Manning, Jr., Mrs. P. D. Lambert, and Mrs. M. L. DeFreese to approve the minutes of this meeting.

Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Head resident of MacDonell Methodist Center at Houma, spoke to the group describing the new Prayer Room and Chapel at MacDonell, which was given by the Louisiana Conference as a tribute to Miss Ella Hooper, who served as Head resident of the institution for more than thirty years, and is now retired. Miss Thompson expressed her pleasure and deep joy in its use as a "place apart".

Money has been received from other sources with which an organ and pews have been purchased. Five of the pews have already been designated as memorial gifts, two others have been contracted for, leaving only one undesignated.

The president read the committee appointments for the afternoon session:

FINANCE: Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, and the District treasurers.

PROMOTION: Mrs. Lee Tidwell, the District presidents, District Promotion secretaries and the District vice president.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS: Mrs. E. E. Stewart, Mrs. J. C. Whitaker.

1953 CONFERENCE PROGRAM: Mrs. J. C. Whitaker, Chr., Mrs. Warren Constant, Mrs. E. E. Stewart, Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. F. C. Haley, and Mrs. Walter D. Curtis.

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL: Mrs. C. I. Jones, Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Miss Mary Gladys Page, Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. J. T. Folk, and Mrs. J. B. Pollard.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS: Mrs. Warren Constant, Miss Mary Gladys Page, Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Mrs. Lee Tidwell, and Mrs. E. E. Stewart.

The Committee was then dismissed for a delightful luncheon, which was served by the Pineville Woman's Society.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Immediately following the luncheon hour the committees met. At four o'clock the Executive committee re-convened.

A message from Mrs. H. M. Moak, regretting her unavoidable absence was read. Mrs. J. H. McSween, hostess for the evening meal, gave explicit directions for locating her home in Alexandria.

The report of the Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. W. E. Trice, who was absent due to illness in her family, was read by the secretary, in

which she suggested plans for the "Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students", urging each society in communities where foreign students are located, to launch a program whereby community resources can be made accessible to overseas students. She referred to the November issue of the Adult Student, which contains an article on "Ambassadors from Abroad", asking that it be read, as it paves the way for this work.

Following the reading of the report, Miss Elizabeth Thompson told of the Work Camp at MacDonell Center and Dulac Indian Mission the past summer, which was sponsored by the department of Student Work. She brought out that a Work Camp differs from a Caravan in that students stay the full time in one place. Seven college students from various colleges in the State participated, staying a month, with the group being divided between MacDonell and Dulac. They did manual labor, worked in the kitchen, helped in vacation schools, etc. A helpful experience to both the students and staff. A similar camp is planned for next year.

Mrs. Pollard added to the report by explaining the use of the Blue Cards, and the \$5.00 plan, asking that these be kept before the churches. This is the Louisiana Conference plan for financing the Wesley Foundations in State Schools.

In the absence, due to illness, of Mrs. Charles Goldthwait, Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, her report was made by Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, in which permission was asked to permit the displaying of W.C.T.U. publicity material in the Book room at the next Conference. After discussion, Mrs. Goldthwait was instructed to inspect the material, and if she approves, it will be allowed. Mrs. Dunbar stated that Mrs. Goldthwait will send her financial statement for the first half year to the treasurer. It will indicate the expenses of Miss Eloise Munger to the National Alcohol Institute in Washington, D. C., were paid from C.S.R. funds.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p. m. to meet in the home of Mrs. J. H. McSween.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

October 29, 1952

For the evening meal and business session, Mrs. J. H. McSween, treasurer of the Alexandria District, opened her lovely home in Alexandria. After a sumptuous meal and a delightful hour of fellowship, at 7:45 p. m. business was resumed.

A request from the Research Committee of the South Central Jurisdiction for names of qualified women for officers of the Jurisdiction was presented. After discussion, it was voted to submit the names of:

Mrs. Glenn Laskey for Home Work, or any other office she might consider.

Mrs. W. E. Trice for Student Work.

There was also the announcement of a Conference on Missions to be held at Buck Hill Falls in April 1953. Each Conference will be represented by its secretary of Missionary Education and Service. The Jurisdiction is to be represented by two District officers and three women of local societies, who are to be chosen from a list composed of one name for each place submitted by each Conference in the Jurisdiction. By nominating ballot the following were selected to be submitted:

On the District level, Mrs. George E. Powell of Alexandria.

On the local level, Mrs. C. B. McEachern of Shreveport.

The Finance Committee report was read by Mrs. Kennon, treasurer, in which it was recommended that a new car be purchased by the Conference for the Rural Worker, when she is secured, to be financed by local society donations through the Supply department. The recommendation was adopted.

This committee also recommended that the Louisiana Conference continue its support of Alcohol and Narcotics education by contributing

\$3,000 during 1953-54 to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation, this amount to be raised through the department of Christian Social Relations. The recommendation was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Promotion was read by Mrs. W. F. Manning, Jr. The itinerary of Miss Lydia Gerhart, Field Worker for the Woman's Division, who will visit Louisiana Conference in early December, was read and approved. This committee also recommended that the Conference buy the film strip "Widening Fellowship", to be made available to local societies, Zone, District and Guild meetings, through the Conference secretary of Promotion. The recommendation was adopted.

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee report was made by Mrs. E. E. Stewart. The following changes and additions were adopted as read:

Add section 4 to Article 1 to read as follows:

ARTICLE I

Sec. 4. Delegates from the Conference Society to the quadrennial Assembly shall be the Conference president and one other Conference officer, elected by the Conference Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. Other representatives from the Conference shall be the Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild or her representative, and one delegate from each District, who shall be a District officer, elected by the District Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. The expenses of the District representatives to be paid by the Districts.

Revise the first sentence of Article V, Sec. 2, to read:

ARTICLE V

Sec. 2. "District officers shall be elected for a term of two years, with the privilege of re-election for one additional term in the same office, with the possible exception of the treasurer, whose term is limited to eight years."

Add Section 11 to Article VI to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI

Sec. 11. There shall be a Standing Committee on Annual Report composed of the Recording secretary, who shall be chairman, the president, the treasurer, the secretary of Promotion and the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. It shall be the duty of this committee to edit and publish the Annual Report of the Conference."

The 1953 Conference Program Committee, Mrs. J. C. Whitaker, chairman, reported that the Spring Conference will be held at University Church, Baton Rouge on March 17, 18, 19, 1953. Plans are well under way, with many interesting features. The visitor from the Woman's Division will be its president, Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, of Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

The School of Missions Committee report was made by Mrs. Warren Constant, chairman. The following are the courses to be taught, and the teachers:

Alcohol and the Christian's Responsibility—Dr. Earl Hotalen.

Jeremiah—The Bible Study—Mrs. George S. Sexton.

The Life and Task of the Church Around the World—Mrs. G. W. Dameron.

Spanish Speaking Americans—Mrs. W. W. Paxton.

There will be four Workshops:

Youth and Christian Vocations;

Directed by the Youth, Student and Missionary Personnel Secretaries.

Education Opportunities in the Woman's Society in the Local Church;
By the secretary of Missionary Education.

The Circle, Its Purpose and Program;
The Conference president.

The Woman's Society in the total church program in the local church;

Led by the secretary of Christian Social Relations.

Clinics will be conducted by those officers who attend the Jurisdiction School of Missions. They will be: the president, secretaries of Missionary Education and Service, Christian Social Relations, Wesleyan Service Guild, Student Work, Youth Work, and Missionary Personnel.

The dates for the Jurisdiction School of Missions are: June 30-July 7, 1953. The dates for the School of Missions at Centenary College will be: August 24-28, 1953.

As a follow up of the Conference on Missions at Buck Hill Falls, it was voted to use the afternoons during the School of Missions to bring to the Conference information and inspiration from this meeting.

The School of Missions will be responsible for the Morning Watch programs next year. Mrs. Paxton, secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation, will assume this responsibility. Mrs. Lee Tidwell will serve as room reservation chairman, and Mrs. E. E. Stewart will assist the Registrar in the Science Building after Monday afternoon.

The Committee on Missionary Personnel, Mrs. C. I. Jones, chairman, reported that plans had been worked out for the Christian Vocations Conference to be held at Centenary College in January. This committee, in line with the report of the Youth secretary, suggested that District Missionary Personnel secretaries plan trips to Louisiana Conference institutions for young life service volunteers, to acquaint them with the various types of work available. The expense of such trips to be raised locally.

The president read an invitation from the Jung Hotel, inviting the Conference to hold its 1954 meeting in New Orleans. This will be discussed further at the Spring meeting of the Committee.

Following prayer led by Mrs. W. W. Paxton, and the Mizpah Benediction, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p. m.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 30, 1952

The Executive Committee, together with women of the Alexandria District, who were invited for the occasion, assembled in the sanctuary of the Pineville Church at 9:30 a.m. for a Retreat and observance of the Week of Prayer and Self Denial. The program was planned and conducted by Mrs. W. W. Paxton, secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation. She was assisted by Mrs. J. L. Groves of Boyce, Mrs. R. A. Randow of Pineville, and Mrs. J. C. Whitaker of Sulphur. Special music added much to the worshipful atmosphere.

After the benediction, a buffet lunch was served the entire group by the members of the Pineville Society.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, president

Mrs. Elmer E. Stewart, Recording secretary

Approved by:

Mrs. P. D. Lambert

Mrs. M. L. DeFreese

Mrs. W. F. Manning, Jr.

Committee

PRE-CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

March 16, 1953

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Louisiana Conference, assembled at noon in Fellowship Hall of the W. W. Holmes Memorial Wesley Foundation, from whence they were directed to the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Phillips, 2959 East Lakeshore Drive, where a delicious luncheon was served. A brief hour of fellowship

was enjoyed with the officers of the Baton Rouge District, who were the hostesses for the occasion.

Immediately following the luncheon the Committee returned to the parlor of the W. W. Holmes Wesley Foundation, and went into the business session of the afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey. The secretary, Mrs. Elmer E. Stewart, checked the roll, which showed all members present except: Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Mrs. John Galloway, Mrs. John Piker, Mrs. Gladney Hoffpauir, Mrs. H. M. Moak, Miss Juanita Porter, Mrs. Leslie Hamner, Mrs. Glenn Bryant, and Mrs. J. L. Saxon. A telegram was read from Mrs. John Galloway regretting her unavoidable absence. The president requested Mrs. Clarence Day to send suitable messages to the absentees.

For the period of worship, echoes from the meeting of the South Central Jurisdiction, recently held in Amarillo, were heard from the delegates who attended. Mrs. P. D. Lambert told of the many phases of entertainment; Mrs. Warren Constant described the hymns and special music, adding some highlights from outstanding addresses; Mrs. Lee Tidwell enlightened the group on serving on the Teller's Committee, and seeing elections from the inside, with the announcement of the election of Mrs. Glenn Laskey to the office of Recording Secretary, and Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar as secretary of Supply Work of the South Central Jurisdiction. Mrs. Tidwell also brought some thought provoking ideas from the address of Mrs. J. D. Bragg, former president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service; Mrs. J. T. Folk told something of our work in South America, as presented in an address by Dr. George P. Howard; Mrs. J. C. Whitaker closed the period by telling some of the experiences of two former missionaries to China, who had been imprisoned by the Communists. She concluded her message with prayer.

Informal reports were given by the officers and secretaries, explaining recommendations to come before the Conference during this session.

After prayer, led by Mrs. Laskey, the Committee adjourned at 5 p. m., to meet for dinner at the First Methodist Church.

Monday Evening, March 16, 1953

The Executive Committee met in the beautiful new Recreation Hall of First Methodist Church at 6 p. m. A sumptuous dinner was served, a courtesy of the Woman's Society of First Methodist Church.

Committee meetings followed, after which business was resumed, with those secretaries who had not done so, reporting.

Mrs. C. I. Jones, secretary of Missionary Personnel, reported that her committee had met, and read recommendations to be presented to the Conference, with other recommendations.

Mrs. Chas. Goldthwait, secretary of Christian Social Relations, read recommendations from her department, which were approved for submission to the Conference.

The president announced that Miss Mary Gladys Page had been elected as a Member-at-large of the Guild Standing Committee of the Woman's Division, and that Mrs. Minza Rabun of Bastrop had been elected to succeed Miss Page as Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Miss Page then made her final report.

The president listed the following Conference and District officers to make up the quota of 20 at the Jurisdiction School of Missions at Sequoyah, June 30-July 7, 1953: The Conference president, the Conference secretaries of Missionary Education and Service, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life Cultivation, Student Work, Youth Work, and four representatives from the Wesleyan Service Guild, to be chosen by the Guild. The remaining places to be filled by District secretaries of Missionary Education and Service.

The Committee on Promotion recommended that a Conference-wide Training Day for District Officers be held in the Pineville Methodist Church on May 7, 1953, beginning at ten o'clock. They also presented the schedule for the District meetings, both of which were approved.

Recommendations from the Study and Action, Summer Schools and Finance committees were read and approved for presentation to the Conference.

The president suggested that the Executive Committee hold a Retreat in connection with the Mid-Year meeting, at MacDonell Methodist Center, under the guidance of the Spiritual Life Cultivation Committee, at a date to be cleared with the Center.

The committee adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, President

Mrs. Elmer E. Stewart, Recording Secretary

JOURNAL, THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

March 17-19, 1953

The thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service convened in the William B. Reily Memorial University Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on Tuesday, March 17, 1953, at eleven a.m., with the president, Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, presiding.

The hymn, "The Kingdom Is Coming," was sung after which the president, by sounding the gavel, formally declared the Conference convened.

Mrs. T. M. Ellis, president of the Baton Rouge District Woman's Society, led the opening worship by reading Psalm 145, and offering prayer.

Mrs. W. D. Curtis, president of the hostess Woman's Society of Christian Service, gave warm words of welcome to officers, delegates and visitors, and then presented Gen. Troy H. Middleton, the president of Louisiana State University, who welcomed the Conference for himself and for the University. He made mention of the numerous denominations on the campus and his pleasure at the religious emphasis made possible through the various Religious Centers on the campus, and offered the facilities of the University for the use of the Conference.

Following the printed order of business, Mrs. J. C. Whitaker, Program Chairman for the Conference, presented the program, and noted a few necessary changes. The secretary read the committee appointments as follows:

Distributing tellers	{ Mrs. Charles Irwin Mrs. J. B. Smith Mrs. George Hudson
Counting tellers	{ Mrs. C. J. Tackaberry Mrs. Ray McIntosh Mrs. C. Linton Smith
Assistant secretary	Mrs. C. B. McEachern
Journal	{ Mrs. Wideman Watson Mrs. Paul Verduzco Mrs. Clarence O. Day
Resolutions	{ Mrs. T. Haller Jackson Mrs. Chas. E. McKenzie Mrs. L. C. Aycock

Mrs. Elmer E. Stewart, Recording secretary, read the recommendations from the Mid-year Executive Committee meeting (see Mid-year report). They were approved as read.

Miss Mary Gladys Page was presented to the Conference, by the president, as a new Member-at-large of the Standing Committee on Wesleyan Service Guild, of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The president announced the election of Mrs. Minza Rabun of Bastrop to the office of Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. The Conference

confirmed the election by a standing vote. Mrs. Laskey then pinned on Miss Page an Honorary Life Membership pin, as an expression of appreciation from the Louisiana Woman's Society. Miss Page thanked the conference with a few well chosen words.

Following the introduction of distinguished visitors, and necessary announcements, the Quiet Hour was introduced with a vocal solo "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings", sung by Miss Mary Baldwin of the University School of Music.

Mrs. Dana Dawson, wife of the Bishop of the Kansas Area opened the series of Meditations on "Steps to Spiritual Power", using the Bible as the subject of this hour. She reminded her listeners that the Bible is our handbook in seeking to bring in the Kingdom; that by meeting the conditions, we may claim the promises for spiritual victory found in the Bible. Jesus said "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me." Who will lift Him up? You and I. The Kingdom we seek will come whenever we let it. The moment of prayer with which she concluded was also the benediction.

TUESDAY LUNCHEON

The Conference members moved immediately into Fellowship Hall of the Wesley Foundation, where lunch was served. The program presented during the luncheon hour was presided over by Mrs. W. D. Curtis, president of the hostess society. The assemblage was entertained with violin and piano music, by students from the University, after which Dr. W. E. Trice, pastor-host, and Mrs. Trice; Rev. Allen O. Jernigan, Director of the Wesley Foundation, and Mrs. Jernigan were introduced by Mrs. Curtis. Mr. Jernigan spoke briefly of the work of the Wesley Foundation on the campus, then presented Mrs. Joan Slay, president of the local Foundation, and Miss Kay Davis, recording secretary, who each described a part of the activities at the Center.

The program closed with prayer.

AFTERNOON PROGRAM

The Conference resumed its program at 1:45 p.m., with the singing of the hymn "Spirit of Faith Come Down." The president then introduced Miss Lillian Johnson, Executive secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Woman's Division, who described for her audience a model Guild, then followed with some suggestions as to what the Woman's Society could do to make this model possible.

Following necessary announcements by the president, and the singing of the hymn "O, Zion Haste," the Conference officers assembled on the rostrum for the Officer's Hour.

Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, the immediate past vice-president of the Conference, presented Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, who delivered the President's Message "Explorations Unto God." (See page 45.)

The Conference Officer's Hour was planned and conducted by Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Conference secretary of Promotion, and participated in by all the Conference officers and departmental secretaries. The hour closed with the congregation joining in the "Pledge of Discipleship," after which a prayer was sung, and the Rev. James L. Stovall pronounced the benediction.

DINNER, TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 17, 1953

Theme: Thy Kingdom Come Through the Students of the World.

Mrs. W. E. Trice, presiding

Dinner was served in the South Dining Room of Hatcher Hall at 6:30 p.m. The tables were gay with Spring flowers interspersed with the flags of many nations. The invocation was given by Henry Johnson, vice-president of the local Wesley Foundation, and also vice-president of the Louisiana Student Movement. Mrs. Trice introduced Dr. John A. Thompson, Adviser to foreign students at the University, who explained some of the duties and problems in his official capacity, in working with more than 400 students from 57 other countries. He then presented Miss Bienvenida

Bersamin, from the Philippines, who brought greetings to the Conference in behalf of the foreign students. Music from many lands enlivened the program.

A dramatic worship service, entitled "Thy Kingdom Come" followed which was participated in by student members of the Wesley Foundation from South Africa, Greece, Israel, Latvia, Okinawa, Mexico, Brazil, Hawaii and the continental United States. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Allen O. Jernigan.

EVENING SESSION, MARCH 17, 1953

Immediately following dinner, the members of the Conference returned to the Sanctuary of the William B. Reily Memorial University Church for the evening program. The hymn "Heralds of Christ" was sung. The Rev. Edward W. Harris, District Superintendent, read from the Scriptures and led the evening prayer. A vocal duet, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" was sung by Mr. Gunvard Hansen, Director of the University Church choir, and Mrs. Hansen.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey presented Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, who spoke on the subject "That the Kingdom of God May Be Realized". She elaborated on three points on the planned development of Youth Work, as follows:

- A special year of Evangelism;

- A Crusade for Peace;

- A co-ordinated program to be emphasized by all denominations under the sponsorship of the National Council of Churches in America.

At the close of Mrs. Brooks' address, the Lord's Prayer was sung by Mrs. Gunvard Hansen, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Edward W. Harris.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 18, 1953

Following an organ prelude of quiet music, the hymn "The Voice of God Is Calling" was sung. Mrs. J. B. Pollard, a former president of the Conference, led the morning devotions, using the story of the healing of the epileptic as the basis of her remarks on "How Strong Is Your Faith?" She closed with a period of prayer.

The chairman of the committee on Journal, Mrs. Wideman Watson, reported that the minutes of the previous day had been read and found correct.

The president announced that it was necessary to elect a secretary of Supply Work to replace Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, who was elected secretary of Supply Work of the South Central Jurisdiction at its recent meeting. The voting strength of the Conference was taken and found to be 160.

The Research Committee, Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, chairman, presented the names of the following as candidates:

- Mrs. George E. Powell of Alexandria

- Mrs. G. O. Willis of Gretna

- Mrs. Wideman Watson of Homer

With no nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and ballot taken, and the Counting Tellers retired to count the ballot.

Telegrams of greetings to the Conference were read by the secretary from Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Conference vice-president, who was absent due to illness in her family; Mrs. E. T. Wayland, co-editor of the Louisiana Methodist; and the Victoria White Circle of the Woman's Society of Trinity Church, Ruston.

Mrs. Chas. F. Goldthwait, Conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, presided at the Christian Social Relations Hour. She introduced Rev. William E. Scholes, Midwest Regional Supervisor, Ministry to Migrants, of the Division of Home Missions of the

National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America, who discussed "Migratory Labor in Louisiana". He informed his audience that there are more than two million migrant laborers in the United States, and that almost all the food we eat depends on their labor. Of these more than 100,000 work in Louisiana during the harvest season. He vividly described the sordid life these people are forced to lead, through no fault of their own, nor of the communities in which they work. He concluded with suggestions of some things church women can do to help these people to put down roots and at least have a church home.

Mrs. Goldthwait then presented Dr. W. Earl Hotalen, State Director of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation, who reported on what is being done through this organization in ministering to the youth of Louisiana in Alcohol Education. He told some of the plans for the future.

The hymn "We Thank Thee, Lord" was sung. Mrs. Laskey, again, presented Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, who spoke briefly on a "Widening Fellowship", telling her listeners of some of the ways their money is spent through the Woman's Division. She also explained co operative giving through the National Council of Churches, stating that Methodist give the largest part of this, adding that all Migrant Work, previously mentioned, is co-operative, not denominational.

As an outgrowth of the 1948 meeting of the World Council of Churches, in Amsterdam, a Commission was appointed, composed of 25 members from 17 nations, to study the "Life and Work of Women Around The World." Miss Sarah Chakko, president of Isabella Thoburn College is chairman, and Mrs. Brooks is one of the two members from the United States. She challenged her audience, as Methodist women, to help improve the conditions of womanhood around the world by making Christianity believable and by living like Christians.

Mrs. C. J. Tackaberry, chairman of the Counting tellers reported no election, as no candidate received a majority vote. A second ballot was taken for a secretary of Supply Work.

"Our Work in Town and Country" was presented by Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Rural Deaconess for the Louisiana Conference, using representatives from the Bureau of Education, and three projects under the Commission of Town and Country.

Mrs. Evelyn Thomas, superintendent of Sager Brown Home and Godman School spoke first for the Home, then introduced Miss Rosie Ann Cobb, a Home Missionary Worker, who told some of the problems of caring for a family of more than 40 growing children.

Rev. J. W. Turner spoke for Dulac Indian Mission. He introduced Mrs. Turner, and Miss Agnes Brooks, R.N., a new worker in the Mission. Mr. Turner said there are 77 children enrolled in the school; that the Clinic and work of Miss Brooks has been most helpful; and praised the Vacation Church School, and Work Camp of last summer. Miss Thompson curtailed the report of the work at MacDonell Methodist Center, due to shortage of time. The reports in full are printed in this volume.

Mrs. C. J. Tackaberry, chairman, again reported for the tellers, that Mrs. George E. Powell had been elected Conference secretary of Supply Work.

At this time Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, retiring secretary of Supply Work, was invited to the platform by Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, who, in behalf of the Louisiana Conference presented Mrs. Dunbar with an Honorary Life Patron Membership pin. Mrs. Dunbar thanked the Conference.

Mrs. J. B. Pollard extended the courtesies, introducing the pastors, pastors' wives, former Conference officers, Jurisdiction and Division members and other distinguished guests. Necessary announcements concerning afternoon events were made.

A vocal solo "If With All Your Hearts You Truly Seek Him" sung by Mr. Joe Scott, uplifted his listeners, and set the tone for the Quiet Hour.

Mrs. Dana Dawson continued the Meditations on "Steps to Spiritual Power", using the Church as her subject. If the world is to be saved, it

must be saved through the Church. Not church buildings, nor congregations, nor choirs, but Church as Jesus meant it to be, built on the faith and service of His followers. Mrs. Dawson concluded with a prayer of benediction.

WEDNESDAY NOON SACRIFICIAL MEAL

From the Sanctuary, the congregation moved silently into Fellowship Hall, where a Sacrificial meal had been prepared, and a program under the direction of Mrs. W. W. Paxton, secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation, was given.

The table where the participants in the program were seated was in the form of a cross. The impressive worship center in the background held a lighted, three dimensional Salman's head of Christ. Mrs. Paxton was assisted by Mrs. Guy M. Hicks, Mrs. Clarence Day, Mrs. James T. Harris, Sister Nanny Sundling, Atsuko Fukuda, and Hideiko Sekiya, two Japanese students from Centenary College, and the District secretaries of Spiritual Life Cultivation. At the end of the program an offering was taken for work in Japan, which amounted to more than \$1,070.00.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 18

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of the hymn "Where Cross The Crowded Ways of Life."

The president presented Sister Nanny Sundling of Stockholm, Sweden, a Deaconess of the Swedish Methodist Church, and head of the Methodist Hospital in Stockholm. She is presently studying at Scarritt College. She spoke as a Methodist, a Deaconess, and a nurse, reviewing the birth of Methodism in Sweden in 1865; the beginning of the Deaconess movement, and nursing training. She enjoined us as Methodist mothers to say to our daughters who might be considering giving themselves in Life service, "It is hard work, yes; you will not have so much money in your hand, no; but is a blessed job. I am sure of that."

Our Urban Work was presented at this point.

The activities at St. Mark's Community Center were described by a skit, with Miss Fae Daves, Miss Carolyn Grisham, and Miss Josephine Farnham as the actors. It was cleverly done, and gave the audience a pleasing insight of what it takes to make a Community Center tick.

Mrs. Pearl Turnbull of Peoples' Community Center thanked the Conference for their support of this project, telling about the new building and the many activities now carried on at this Center.

The day by day program at Business Girls' Inn was described by the Head resident, Mrs. Mary Freeman. She told of many interesting events in her family of 52.

The last group of workers to report were the Student Counsellors. Miss Ann Adams, Director of Student Work at Northwestern State College, emphasized the Methodist Student Movement, and what it is seeking to do to awaken students to their responsibilities in the world of today.

Rev. Robert Parrott, a new director of the work at Southwestern Louisiana Institute was presented. He pictured the full program of a typical week in his Student Center, making mention of Religious Emphasis Week and the work of the Student Movement. He closed by thanking the Conference for helping students to find God on a campus.

(Reports from these institutions will be found with other reports.)

The Conference was dismissed by a benediction prayer by Rev. James T. Harris.

TEA

The officers, delegates and visitors to the Conference were honored with a tea at the Governor's Mansion, following the afternoon session, a courtesy of Governor and Mrs. Robert Kennon. The details were faultless,

and everything was done to make the occasion pleasant. A large number of the delegates and visitors took advantage of this opportunity to visit the Governor's Mansion.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DINNER, MARCH 18

The Missionary Education dinner was served in the South Dining Room of Hatcher Hall at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Warren Constant, secretary of Missionary Education and Service, presided. The dinner was a delightful occasion with the tables attractively decorated to suggest Africa, using palm trees, grass huts, toy animals, and negro dolls. Each place was marked with a favor, a puzzlemat and napkin on this theme.

The invocation was offered by Mrs. George W. Dameron. After the meal, Mrs. Constant introduced the guests. A group of Spirituals, sung by Billy Ray Peacock, was most entertaining.

Mrs. George Sexton presented the after-dinner speaker, Miss Dorothy McConnell, Woman's Editor of the World Outlook, and a recent visitor to Africa. She told many interesting and entertaining experiences in the African bush, developing her subject "Africa in Focus." The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 18

The evening inspirational hour was opened with the singing of the hymn "Jesus Shall Reign." The anthem "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God" was sung by the University Church choir. Dr. W. E. Trice, pastor-host, read a portion of Scripture and led the evening prayer. The offering was taken, during which the choir sang "Judge Me, O God."

The speaker for the evening, Miss Dorothy McConnell, Co-editor of the World Outlook, and world traveller, was presented by Mrs. Glenn Laskey.

Miss McConnell used as the theme of her address "The Price of Discipleship". In the address she developed the idea that the price we pay may seem so simple, yet we find it so very hard to:

Think outside ones self;

Imagine how another person feels;

Have a genuine curiosity about other people;

Look for leadership in unlikely places;

Get over Fear.

At the close of Miss McConnell's address, the congregation sang the hymn "Rise Up O Men Of God", after which the Holy Communion was administered by the pastors of the host church.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 19, 1953

After an organ prelude, the morning session was called to order by the singing of the hymn "From All The Dark Places". Morning worship was conducted by Mrs. George W. Dameron, a member of the Board of Missions of the Woman's Division. After a moment of silent prayer by the congregation, she read some portions of Scripture related to the quadrennial theme "The Kingdom of Heaven", taken from the gospels of Matthew and Luke. The central thought of her talk was that each of us should develop a Divine Impatience to bring in the Kingdom, for in this sense impatience becomes dedication. She closed the worship with prayer.

The order of business was resumed. The departmental recommendations found in the delegates packets were discussed by the respective secretaries, and with a change of wording in that of Literature and Publications, were approved.

Additional recommendations, approved by the Executive committee, were read by the secretary, as follows:

THE DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS recommends:

1. That Octagon and other coupons, formerly collected for the Methodist Home Hospital, be transferred to St. Mark's Community Center;

2. That the Charter of Racial Policies, adopted by the Woman's Division, appearing in the April, 1952, Methodist Woman, and approved by the Executive committee, be recommended to local societies for study, to the end that they adopt it in the local group.
3. That Mrs. C. A. Bender, Observer at the United Nations for the Woman's Division, be invited to Louisiana for three Workshops on Peace, in three different areas of the State, at a date agreeable to Mrs. Bender.

Approved.

THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY PERSONNEL recommends:

1. That the Christian Vocations Conference include High School seniors and college students;
2. That the two groups be separated in the Seminars;
3. That the Conference be held the first week in December, or as near that date as possible.

Approved.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE recommends:

That since the next quadrennial Student Conference will be held in Lawrence, Kansas, the Conference contribute \$150.00 to reserve a coach for students from Louisiana for this trip. The amount to be taken from the money budgeted to Student Work.

Approved.

Mrs. Warren Constant, secretary of Missionary Education and Service, read the recommendations from the following committees:

THE COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS OF MISSIONS AND CHRISTIAN SERVICE recommends:

That the chairman of the Committee on Schools of Missions and Christian Service enter into contract for one year with the Brotherhood Mutual Life Insurance Company for a Medical Expense Insurance for those attending the School of Missions and that the cost of 50c per person be added to the registration fee of each person, to defray the cost of the insurance.

It was adopted as read.

THE COMMITTEE ON STUDY AND ACTION recommends:

1. That under the direction of the Conference Study and Action Committee, the District Educational Seminars be planned, promoted, and executed within the Districts.
2. That definite plans be made to include the Wesleyan Service Guild in the District Seminars of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, or in an additional Seminar.

Adopted as read.

Mrs. E. E. Stewart, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Constitution and By-laws, presented the following additions to the By-laws, which were approved as read:

Standing Committees

Art. VI

- Sec. 12. There shall be a Standing Committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild composed of the Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, as chairman, the Guild secretary from each district in the Conference, and four representatives from the Woman's Society of Christian Service within the Conference, two of whom shall be the Conference Promotion secretary and the Conference treasurer, the other two to be elected by the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, and such additional members as the work demands.

It shall be the duty of the Guild Committee to assist the Conference secretary of the Guild in the promotion of Guild work in the Conference.

Standing Rules

16. In view of the fact that letters have been received from certain business concerns asking the Woman's Division to endorse and promote through its channels their plans to help local Societies of Christian Service to make profits by selling their products, we urge a strong statement to be sent in reply, refusing such endorsement.
17. Since the Woman's Society of Christian Service has a definite responsibility for the support of the program of the Woman's Division, the Louisiana Conference wishes to point out that it is not the responsibility of the Woman's Society officers at the Conference or District level to seek contributions from Woman's Society treasuries for the support of projects which are the responsibility of the Annual Conference or the District Conference of the church.

Mrs. T. Haller Jackson, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, read the report as follows:

We, the delegates and members of the Louisiana Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in session in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 17-19, 1953, wish to express our sincere gratitude for the rich spiritual experience which has been ours.

Especially do we thank the hostess Society, University Church, and First, Istrouma, Ingleside, North Baton Rouge, and Winbourne Avenue churches, their pastors, and the District Superintendent for their co-operative efforts toward making this a successful Conference.

The special courtesies extended the Executive Committee prior to the opening of the Conference keyed the hospitality that pervaded the entire meeting.

It was an unusual privilege to meet on the campus of our State University. Gen. Troy H. Middleton's gracious welcome, the use of the dormitory and dining facilities, the outstanding contribution of the Graduate School of Music, the adequacy of the new church plant, all contributed immeasurably.

The Worship Center, with its unusually artistic floral arrangements, made a focal point of great beauty. The lovely corsages presented the Conference officers and guests were an added touch of gracious hospitality.

For the willing services of the pages, the refreshing coffee hours and transportation of the delegates, we are grateful.

An appreciated courtesy was the beautiful tea at the Governor's Mansion.

Of the Program Committee's diligent and consecrated work in preparing the excellent program, we are most appreciative. The theme "Thy Kingdom Come" was developed throughout in the presentation of all phases of our work.

Inspiring messages brought by our guests and featured speakers, Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Miss Dorothy McConnell, Miss Lillian Johnson, Mrs. Dana Dawson, and Sister Nanny Sundling stirred us all.

To the general chairman, Mrs. Walter Prichard, who has been untiring in her efforts to meet our every need, we say "Thank you."

To all who have had even a small part in making this a memorable and enriching experience, we would express our deep gratitude. We leave with enlarged vision of our work and responsibilities, and fresh enthusiasm and consecration to do our utmost to bring in His Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. T. Haller Jackson, chairman
Mrs. L. C. Aycock
Mrs. Chas. E. McKenzie

The Conference adopted the resolutions with a rising vote.

The president asked for invitations for the 1954 meeting. Mrs. R. C. McConnell, president of Rayne Memorial Woman's Society, extended the

invitation for the Conference to meet in Rayne Memorial Church, New Orleans. The invitation was unanimously accepted.

The impressive pledge service "Giving self and gifts for His Kingdom" was planned and conducted by the Conference treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Kennon, assisted by Mrs. J. T. Folk, Mrs. C. I. Jones, and representatives from each District of the Conference with women in costume representing Africa, Asia and South America. The District representatives made the pledge for their respective Districts and named the workers who had been recruited from that District the past quadrennium, as follows:

District	Pledge	Workers
Alexandria	\$ 9,766.00	{ Miss Martha Fay White { Miss Neomi Windham
Baton Rouge	14,145.00	
Lake Charles	14,763.00	{ Miss Velma Lee Hair { Miss Anna Givens
Monroe	15,325.00	Miss Patsy Alexander
New Orleans	12,135.00	{ Miss Elma Ashby { Miss Marie Primm
Ruston	13,486.00	Mrs. Nettie Thornton
Shreveport	18,530.00	{ Miss Alexa McCain { Miss Gretchen Elston { Miss Charlie Hampton { Miss Katherine Davis { Miss Dorothy Douglas

The service closed with a vocal solo by Mrs. James T. Harris, and a prayer of dedication by Mrs. Kennon.

The final Quiet Hour was introduced by a vocal solo "Like as a Hart Desireth the Water Brook," sung by Miss Mary Jean Stobaugh of the University School of Music. Mrs. Dawson used "Prayer" as the subject for her Meditation on "Steps to Spiritual Power." She asked "What do you think would happen if all this group spent one hour each day with God?" She helped answer this question by showing ways of working with God for His glory, not our. By working in Prayer groups, meeting the conditions laid down with God's promises, and claiming them. She closed the series with a period of prayer.

The president announced that Mrs. Warren Constant will be chairman of the Program Committee for the next Conference.

The hymn "My Jesus as Thou Wilt" was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Warren Johnston.

A bounteous buffet luncheon, for the convenience of departing delegates, was provided by the Methodist churches of Baton Rouge Zone.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Conference president

Mrs. Elmer E. Stewart, Recording secretary

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE "EXPLORATION UNTO GOD"

Officers, members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, visitors, and friends:

During the past year I came across a poem in my devotional reading that I've quoted on several occasions. Its meaning has stayed with me so long that I chose the last line for the title of my President's Message: "Exploration Unto God."

The poem is by the famous contemporary playwright, Christopher Fry and it was used in *Power* for October, 1952.

"Thank God our time is now,
When wrong comes up to face us everywhere,
Never to leave us till we take
The longest stride of soul man ever took.
Affairs are no soul size,
The enterprise is exploration unto God."

A great many people would not agree that they would "Thank God our time is now," but they would readily agree that wrong does come up to face us everywhere. We are conscious above all that we are faced with difficulties of such enormous proportions that the wisest statesmen, politicians, scientists, militarists, don't know the answers. We are perplexed and worried, and if we were asked to describe our times in one word, it would probably be "fear." We take stock of our fears, recount them one by one, instead of depending on our faith. We are sure of our past achievements, but we hesitate to explore the unknown. Someone has said, "We are victimized by the past rather than challenged by the future."

Many of us are like the lady who was trying to maneuver her car into a parking space. In doing so, she inflicted some minor damage on the car parked next to her. She was asked to write a report on the accident, and the question was asked, "What could the driver have done to avoid the accident?" Undaunted, the lady wrote down, "He could have parked somewhere else."

We are all more or less like that in the world. We would like to park somewhere else; but our time is now, and we are up against world conditions that are indeed "soul size."

We are deeply indebted to science for the invention of, and exploration into things of the material world. We all have comforts and gadgets which we almost actually love. I suppose I'd place my electric dishwasher on this list.

During the past year my imagination has soared, and new dreams have lived in my mind as I read the thrilling *Exploration of Space*, by Arthur C. Clark, the eminent British scientist. Space travel has come into the realm of possibility within the not too distant future. As God reveals to man the secrets of the universe new worlds will be opened up for man's restless, eager spirit to explore.

It has become commonplace, even trite, to say we have conquered and explored the physical universe and neglected the spiritual realm. John Foster Dulles said in an address given in Denver in December, 1952, to the National Council of Churches, "We have heavy demands made upon our material wealth and our military forces, but we have not been called upon to give greatly of the spirit." I solemnly ask myself: has any of this knowledge made me, and others, any more spiritual? has this released my spirit toward God?

A traveler in Africa came to a part of that vast country that could not be crossed by any means of mechanical transportation, so he had to hire human carriers, or bearers. In his American way he carefully measured the distance on the map, estimated the number of miles a day a man could travel, then put down the number of days it would take him to reach his destination. The march started, and they traveled one, two, three, four, five, six days straight ahead, hour after hour. On the seventh morning, to the man's amazement, there was no sign of preparation in the camp for departure. There were no cook-fires; the head-man was asleep, likewise all the carriers. Rushing over to the head-man the American shook him roughly by the shoulder and said, "Get up, get up, let's get going. We have miles to make before sundown." The black man looked at the American calmly and said, "Sir, we do not travel today. We have gone so fast that our bodies have gone ahead of our spirits, and we wait here for our spirits to catch up."

How much God needs for our spirits to catch up with our minds! It isn't that we can't do this. It's because we have allowed our minds to

travel down other roads, other things have captured our interest.

We have a background and a heritage of which we are proud. Our nation began in revolt against despotism. We were explorers in the ideas of freedom and liberty. Perhaps our forebears were more intrepid explorers than we, because they were willing to die for their beliefs. Our ideas of freedom captured the imagination of the world. There had never been anything like it before, and it exercised a tremendous influence in rolling back tyranny. The idea of freedom spread about the world, carried by our missionaries, our doctors, nurses, engineers, technicians, and our churches, wherever people went. We spread the gospel of the worth of the individual and told of each person's importance in God's plan. Nothing could stop these explorers for God; sickness, peril, privation, hardship were swept aside, and they were ready to take any kind of risk, ready to explore the unknown, ready to trust God implicitly to carry the idea of Freedom, Liberty, and the Gospel.

Today the tide of despotism is high. Today the appeal is as great as it has ever been in the history of the world. Are we willing to meet the needs -- to "Explore Unto God?"

Sometimes I'm utterly ashamed of those of us to whom these early leaders bequeathed their faith, their dreams, their hopes. We are so easily discouraged, so fearful, so loath to be stirred out of our complacency, so afraid that we'll be called upon to give of ourselves, of our time, and of our means.

Some of you will say: "But what can I do? Our Society is small, there are so few of us." Didn't you know that God has always worked with a few? Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick has the most marvelous sermon on this idea in his book, *A Faith for Tough Times*, entitled "Vitality Is Mightier Than Size." I recommend it for the discouraged.

I love the story told about Robert Morris when he went to China many years ago. He was asked, "What can one person do in such a vast country?" He replied, "I know that I can do but little, but there is no limit to what God can do through me."

There is really no limit to what God could do through the Christian women of America, through the more than one and a half million Methodist women, united in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. It makes us very humble to know that we are the greatest woman's organization in the world; yet, it entails vast responsibility to be a member of such an organization. There is no limit to what we could do in large societies, or small, toward setting the world aright.

We have accomplished much, and I am deeply indebted to the officers of the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild for their devoted consecrated service, to the district officers, and to all the local societies and their officers, for the advancement of our work during the past year. We have cause to rejoice but I'm not going to pretend that we all did our best. We have much exploration yet to be made in certain fields.

Have you done all that you could to advance all phases of our work? In our South Central Jurisdiction there are over 300,000 Guild and Woman's Society members with a pledge over \$1,400,000.00. What part did you have in meeting the Louisiana Conference pledge of \$91,000? Some of the districts did not meet your pledge last year. That means we fell short of our goal. We showed a total gain in membership, yet lost too many members at the same time. This does not speak well for widening our fellowship. We have much to do toward reaching all women of the church, toward securing district members, and organizing circuit and charge societies.

As I go about our Conference I hear many laments concerning the lack of workers among our youth and children's groups. Do you wonder, sometimes, why we have so few missionaries and deaconesses to send, when the essential teaching and cultivation is not given young people during their formative years? April has been designated as youth month in the Louisiana Conference. Many of you will be called upon to assist in youth

programs in the districts and in the local churches. Will you not do your part? The need is great. Our youth are eager and enthusiastic. They need our leadership and guidance.

I'd like to mention briefly some of the organizations that need our staunch support, and some of our objectives for the remainder of the year.

Fifty years ago there was no ecumenical movement. Within the past few years we have seen the birth of the world church. Now we have a sense of inter-dependence, a need for cooperation, and a pooling of our resources for strengthening projects and the whole program. We are just at the beginning of this enterprise.

Another of the great new ideas of the world is the United Nations. The U. N. is fighting against heavy odds, with much criticism and fault-finding, and efforts are made to undermine its work. True, it is imperfect, but it is our best hope for peace. I am told that plans are being made to revise the structure, or charter, in 1955. Do not forget that the United Nations was literally prayed into being. Do you recall the crusade for a New World Order, the Dumbarton Oaks proposals that led to the formation of the United Nations? We cannot go back into isolation; there is no such thing any more. We are prone to forget the notable record of achievement of the United Nations in its social, humanitarian and economic activities. It has provided a forum for world public opinion. Here little nations can be heard, and all have an equal voice. I'd like to urge all of you to read Mrs. Frank Brooks' open letter to the president of the United States, regarding the United Nations on page 24 of the *March Methodist Woman*.

Almost in the same breath I'd like to ask you to understand and place your faith in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. This document, and the working out of its principles is perhaps our staunchest ally against communism. We think so often that electric lights, washing machines, and modern conveniences are what people want. They do want these things but first they want to be treated like human beings.

Dr. George P. Howard from Brazil spoke at the Jurisdiction meeting in Amarillo, and told this story. You may also read it in the *March* issue of the *World Outlook*:

"A Constellation plane in San Salvador started to roll down the runway for the take off, an Indian boy ran out and leaped up on the axle housing of one of the wheels. The blast from one of the engines whipped his tattered shirt, but the boy curled his bare toes tighter around the housing. After the wheel door closed, he was comfortable though cramped. When the captain got word of the stowaway, he circled immediately to land. He lowered the wheels with a sick feeling that he would probably drop the boy 1,500 feet to his death. But the lad did not lose his foothold, and when the plane came to a stop, he asked, "Why did we come back?" Later, questioned by the police, he said: "I have no work, no money and I am hungry, and I hoped that plane would take me where I would find someone who could teach me how to read and write."

"I take that as a symbol of what is really happening in the world today. The masses are aroused; they are hungry, yes, but bread alone will not satisfy them. They want to learn "to read and write." Bodies must be fed but something must be done for the souls of men. They have spiritual needs as well as physical hungers. And as we share with them our bread and our Christ, let us ask ourselves: Why are we doing this? I should like to think that what really actuates us is a desire to treat people like human beings, to treat all people as good members of the human family, to express our love and brotherhood.

We don't have to journey to Brazil, India, or Africa to demonstrate our faith in Human Rights. We can do it here at home

Closely allied with the United Nations is the technical assistance program and the great point-four program. There isn't time to go into the wonderful achievements of these programs except to say there has been cooperation with the representatives of churches in many lands, with the missionaries who have been of great assistance in interpreting background

and cultures to the people sent out by our government. These programs have in some measure enlarged our own missionary objectives.

And what of our great missionary enterprise, of our work in 27 countries? We are told that if all the Advance specials are not continued some will have to close. In a recent issue of the Christian Advocate a chart was published showing the missionary giving of many Protestant churches. I was grieved to see that Methodist giving was down at the bottom of the list. We give great sums for church buildings, but a pittance for missions.

The average church member's giving is \$34.32 per year.

The average Methodist gives \$29.63.

The average church member's giving for missions is \$1.34 per year.

The average Methodist gives \$1.05 per year for missions.

This figures out two cents per week to carry on the work of the Master. Is it any wonder we have made small inroads?

Methodist women do better. Our Louisiana Conference per capita giving is \$7-plus — yet less than 60c per month. And we call it Christian enterprise! There is only one woman I know who has sacrificed — and she did it unwillingly.

A young communist in India said,

"I have no luxuries

I have given up all.

You Christians in America

Give your left-overs.

We will win!"

During the coming months the Methodist Church, with the full co-operation of the Woman's Society, will be given an opportunity to rekindle our faith and work on a great world-wide program of Evangelism, commemorating the 250th year of John Wesley's birth. Last year the General Conference at San Francisco recognized the world-wide Mission of Evangelism as the most urgent need of our times; stating "that never have people as individuals and nations faced such desperate circumstances as now confront them, or known such deep urging for a confident faith with which to meet the challenge of evil forces."

There are many signs pointing to a renewed emphasis on Evangelism. For some years the word was passed, but during the past ten years there has been a resumption of mass evangelism that we would have thought impossible only a few years ago. People are hungry, and seeking for a better way of life. There are many indications that this is more than a trend.

We were all moved by President Eisenhower's prayer at his inauguration. I read last week that all cabinet sessions are opened with prayer. Mrs. Bragg told us at the Jurisdiction meeting that Eisenhower slipped quietly unto a group of men who meet regularly for prayer at the Capitol, and joined them for prayer.

To quote from the Committee of Fifty, "the Evangelism which will save the present age cannot be shallow. It means we must be rooted in a personal knowledge of God, and a commitment to His will."

We are told that some of the post-war refugees who fled from behind the Iron Curtain to gain liberty have voluntarily returned to communistic captivity to get the stimulation of serving Soviet Communism's dynamic program to revolutionize the world. Their philosophy is built on hate, force, and a belief in materialism. It is we who know the way of love, of hope, of faith, of service, and who believe in the Holy Spirit's transforming power. We are the ones to revolutionize the world.

Are you willing to pay the price of Christian Discipleship?

Today we need the vision, the courage, the compassion, the commitment that has been exemplified in the life of our missionaries.

Our faith may never be tested as that of the two Methodist missionaries, Misses Luella Koether and Janet Surdam, who were imprisoned in China. For two hundred days they were held prisoners behind the Iron Curtain. Half of this time was spent in solitary confinement. They plead for a Bible, or a hymn book, to no avail. Instead they were forbidden to speak, to cry to laugh, to sing. They had only as they said, "God and ourselves." They proved, almost as in a laboratory test, that God's love was sufficient for every need; that prayer was the channel that opened the way. They prayed for their enemies, for the Chinese people, for the Christians in America, and last of all, for themselves. For amusement and recreation they relied upon their memory and imagination, and ended the imprisonment radiant, glowing Christians. One of the girls composed thirty or forty songs, writing down the scores after she was released. She sang three of them for us in Amarillo. Glorious songs of praise and thanksgiving to God for His goodness and mercy.

These experiences may never be ours, but the way is open to a deeper "Exploration Unto God," for although,

"I cannot fly a rocket ship to God,
But as I, earthbound, pray,
God flies to me."

(John Chagy)

REPORT OF VICE PRESIDENT

1952-1953

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick

For my first report to you as Vice-President, I want you to know that I am grateful for the opportunity of attending the School of Missions held at Mt. Sequoyah, participating in the Workshop on Program Building as well as the classes for Vice-Presidents. As a result I was able to help in the Workshop on Program Building in our Conference School of Missions as well as hold classes for Vice-Presidents.

I believe the Societies are using the Program material more each year. The following statistics show this use.

Program Committee	Used Program Material	Action coming from use of Program Mat.
210	205	57

The next six months is our busy time. The District and Local Vice-presidents must lay the foundations for the coming year. My word to you is the word given to the women at the tomb, "Go quickly and tell . . ." Matt. 28:7.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS

1. "Always, the president should be able to look to the vice-president for aid in planning and carrying out the entire program of the society." The Guide, page 8
2. "Every program used at a meeting of a local society should help forward the total program of the Woman's Division of Christian Service." The Guide, page 29. (Program refers to the education and action plans for the society.)
 - A. The vice-president of the society serves as chairman of the committee on program.
 - B. Each member SHARES the responsibility for the TOTAL program.
3. The Theme: THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD MAY BE REALIZED is to be held before each member of the society as the goal for all our programs.
 - A. The PROGRAM COMMITTEE of the society of the local church plan for inclusion of a Recognition Day in the regular monthly program, or as a special day, in which a resume of

the accomplishments and presentation of the future plans to obtain the Goals would form the program. This would come preferably during the third quarter.

4. That we attain these GOALS through:

SPIRITUAL LIFE — A spiritual foundation for every meeting, which is an integral part of the program.

WIDENING FELLOWSHIP — A good test for any program: "Does it attract the members? Do they seek to bring others into the fellowship?"

A WORLD CHURCH -- There should be something in every program to relate the local woman with the **WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST WOMEN** and the world wide Christian movement.

PEACE — The programs should present the **PATTERNS FOR PEACE** projects for which our Woman's Society is responsible. "The Things That Belong Unto Peace" will come only through Christ-like sharing.

MISSIONS — Proclaim the world mission for the church to be God's plan for the redemption of the world. "To know a better world we must know our world better."

DISCIPLESHIP — Takes all our **T** - though **I** - interest **M** - money **E** - energy (service)

5. Goals for the **WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST WOMEN 1952-1956:**

1. The Angelus Hour — each evening at 6 P. M. all Methodist women praying.
2. Week of Prayer and Self Denial -- to be observed in all units.
3. Sharing of friendship through letters. Order lists of correspondents from Literature Headquarters.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT
WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE**

June 1, 1952 to May 31, 1953

	Balance 6-1-52	Additions	Deductions	Balance 5-31-53
Minden Bank & Tr. Co. . . .	\$ 338.18	\$126,732.38	\$126,332.26	\$ 738.30
First Nat'l Bank, S'port	2,500.00			2,500.00
Cont.-Am. Bank, S'port	1,500.00		1,500.00	-0-
	<u>4,338.18</u>	<u>126,732.38</u>	<u>127,832.26</u>	<u>3,238.30</u>
Designated Funds:				
Scarritt Student Fund	40.00	350.00	390.00	-0-
Alcohol Education Fund . . .	62.08	2,937.92	3,000.00	-0-
Peo. Com. Cen.				
Bldg. Fund	70.08		70.08	-0-
Cultivation Fund	4,166.02	6,773.50	8,103.06	-0-
Refunds to Cultivation:				
Conference Collections		196.76		
Juris. School of Miss.		7.33		
Int. on Savings A/c . . .		80.15		
Sale of Conf. Minutes		57.70		
Miss Gerhart's Expenses		51.00		
Rayne Bank Liquidat'n		4.50		
Insurance Co-Auto Exp.		4.40		
	<u>4,338.18</u>	<u>10,463.26</u>	<u>11,563.14</u>	<u>3,238.30</u>

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Receipts: Districts	Total Pledged	Paid on Pledge
Alexandria	\$ 9,441.00	\$ 9,453.49
Baton Rouge	14,196.00	14,300.82
Lake Charles	16,411.00	12,993.49
Monroe	14,242.00	13,998.74
New Orleans	12,087.00	12,218.38
Ruston	13,476.00	12,120.63
Shreveport	17,920.50	23,299.92
	<u>97,773.50</u>	<u>98,385.47</u>
Children		347.37
MYF		3,029.44
Supplies		12,964.18
Sup. Gift-		
Lela Norris Schl. . .		17.00
Sup. Gift-		
D. Douglas Schl. . .		350.00 (\$250 incl. in B.R. Pledge)
Alcohol Ed. Fund		2,473.27
Miscellaneous Receipts		<u>401.84</u>
Total Receipts		125,232.38
Less Reserve for Cultivations	6,773.50	
Balance in Banks as of June 1, 1952		<u>4,338.18</u>
Total to be Accounted For		\$129,570.56
Disbursements:		
WDCS - Pledge -		
WSCS & WSG	91,611.97	
Children	347.37	
MYF	<u>3,029.44</u>	
Total on Appropriations		94,988.78
Supplies		12,964.81
Week of Prayer ..		7,263.18
Lela Norris Schl.		<u>17.00</u>
Total to WDCS		115,233.77
Conference Cultivation		
	Budgeted	Disbursed
Officers' Expense	\$ 800.00	\$ 713.95
Annual Conference	800.00	1,552.47*
Conf. Executive Meeting	200.00	167.76
Jurisdiction Meeting	350.00	451.18
Conf. School of Missions	350.00	350.00
Juris. School of Missions	400.00	423.00*
C. S. R. & L. C. A.	300.00	300.00
C. S. R. & L. C. A. workshop	60.00	62.75
Conference Minutes	650.00	859.29
Stationery	50.00	53.04
Student Reg. Conf.	75.00	-0-
Auto Insurance	225.00	233.60
Auto Expense	200.00	163.20*
Conference Youth Director	600.00	600.00
Cooperative Meetings	200.00	92.00
Youth Assembly	75.00	-0-
WSG Cultivation	423.00	518.78
Division Clutivation	33.87	35.44
Jurisdiction Cultivation	474.14	496.19
Officers' Training	150.00	268.22
Bank Charges	6.00	7.00
Miscellaneous	351.49	65.94
Bal. on Alc. Edu. Fund		<u>464.65</u>

Conference on Missions	200.00	
Miss Lydia Gerhart	<u>24.60*</u>	
	6,773.50	8,103.06
La. Moral & Civic Foundation		2,535.35
		(Makes total of \$3000)
Peoples Community Center		70.08
Miss Dorothy Douglas		<u>390.00</u>
Total Disbursements		126,332.26
Balance in Banks as of May 31, 1953 ..		<u>3,238.30</u>
Total Accounted for		\$129,570.56

*Denotes a refund to these accounts—see amounts under “Designated Funds.”

Respectfully submitted:
Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Conference Treasurer

RECOMMEDATIONS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee recommends:

1. That the Pledge to Missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1953-54 be \$91,000.00.
2. That the Districts' Pledge to Conference be:

Alexandria	\$ 9,766.00
Baton Rouge	14,145.00
Lake Charles	14,763.00
Monroe	15,325.00
New Orleans	12,135.00
Ruston	13,486.00
Shreveport	<u>18,530.00</u>
	\$98,150.00

3. That the Budget for 1953-54 be as follows:

Officers Expense	\$ 800.00
Annual Conference	800.00
Conference Executive Meeting	200.00
Assembly	500.00
Conference School of Missions	350.00
Jurisdiction School of Missions	400.00
Christian Social Relations	300.00
CSR Workshop	60.00
Conference Minutes	650.00
Stationery	50.00
Student Regional Conference	75.00
Automobile Insurance	225.00
Automobile Expense	200.00
Conference Youth Director	600.00
Cooperative Meetings	200.00
W. S. G. Cultivation	463.50
Division Cultivation	35.75
Jurisdiction Cultivation	501.50
Officers' Training Day	150.00
Miscellaneous	<u>589.25</u>
	\$7,150.00

The following recommendations were voted and approved at the annual meeting of the Woman's Division at Buck Hill Falls:

1. In view of the fact that letters have been received from certain business concerns asking the Woman's Division to endorse and promote through its channels their plans to help local Woman's Society of Christian Service to make profits by selling their products, we urge a strong statement be sent in reply, refusing such endorsement.
2. In view of the fact that the Woman's Society of Christian Service has a definite responsibility for the support of the program of the Woman's Division, a responsibility which belongs to its members alone, the Woman's Division wishes to point out that it is not the responsi-

bility of the Woman's Society officers at the Conference or District level, to promote through Woman's Society channels by asking for contributions from Woman's Society treasuries, the support of projects which are the responsibility of the Annual Conference of the district of the church itself. WOMEN carry their share of this responsibility as INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF the CHURCH.

FINANCIAL PROMOTION

3. As a means of stimulating increased personal giving to missions, "The Widening Fellowship Plan" has been adopted. Objectives for this plan will be ready for publicity at Summer Schools. We recommend the hearty approval of this plan and urge our officers to accept responsibility for its development and promotion in the local societies.
4. A Finance Committee in every local Society.
5. An article on "building the budget in the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the local Church" will appear soon in The Methodist Woman. Watch for this article and stress its use.
6. Continue to stress Special Memberships and other methods mentioned in Finance Handbook to promote increased giving.
7. Every member given an opportunity to make a personal pledge annually.
8. More adequate information on all Missionary Projects, with greater emphasis on the interpretation of our work. Knowledge creates interest.
9. In view of the great world needs, our Woman's Division is asking for a financial increase of \$500,000.00 annually. No percentage goals have been set, but if we are to reach this amount, it means not less than 7% annual increase. Let us keep this figure in mind as we promote increase giving. We want to accept our share of this obligation to God's family.

PROMOTION REPORT

Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Secretary

As we view the over-all picture of the work, we find that we are making progress, yet there is much to be done. With a total of 304 societies and 83 Guilds; there is a net gain of 13 Societies and 7 Guilds over the report made last year. Membership figures show 12,405 in the Woman's Society of Christian Service and 1,886 in the Wesleyan Service Guild, a total of 14,291 adult members and a net gain of 477 during this year.

Reporting has advanced from 94% to 96% for the entire conference with Shreveport and Monroe Districts 100% for all four quarters. New Orleans District has just made its first 100% report this quarter. Last quarter 12 societies of the 304 failed to report. Our goal is 100% reporting which we are confident can be achieved.

Miss Lydia E. Gerhart, field worker from the Woman's Division, itinerated the Conference last fall, speaking at 16 meetings to a total of 1427 persons. She inspired all who heard her, and stimulated much interest throughout the Conference.

We cannot be satisfied with our progress until we can report each district 100% organized and every Methodist woman a part of our widening fellowship.

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

1. Societies in the local church use the check sheet on the Goal Chart which will be made available and which will be printed in THE METHODIST WOMAN.

2. The Program Committee of the society of the local church plan for inclusion of a Recognition Day in the regular monthly program, or as a special day, in which a resume of the accomplishments and a presentation of the future plans to attain the goals would form the program. This would come preferably during the third quarter.
3. The Leadership Training Day on local, district, sub-district, and conference levels be given increased emphasis as a means of interpreting the purpose and program of the Woman's Society and that this year attention be given particularly to the emphases for the quadrennium.
4. Since the various methods of visitation — caravans, Encourager Societies and Every Member Visitation — used in the last quadrennium have values which have not yet been fully explored, each conference be asked to select and promote that plan which will best meet its continuing need.
5. Conference Secretaries of Promotion study the use and value of the Modified Plan of Organization in their area.
6. Conference Secretaries of Promotion continue to work toward having each district 100% organized and each society a 100% society.
7. "Planned Tours" at home and abroad for visiting work maintained by the Woman's Division and Conferences be studied and promoted.
8. The Woman's Society make every effort to share resources of literature, visual materials, and speakers with the other organizations in the local church and other churches as needed.
9. Use be made of the new leaflet in itineration and the the following points be guarded: (a) using the person at the place of greatest need. (b) advance publicity, and (c) wisely planned schedule.
10. As a means of stimulating increased giving to missions, **The Widening Fellowship Plan** be adopted. Objectives for this will be the needs that emerge from the Conference on Missions, after which detailed plans will be prepared and sent out.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
THE METHODIST CHURCH LOUISIANA CONFERENCE
 Report of Third Quarter 1952-1953, Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Secretary

DISTRICT	No. of Societies	No. of WSG	No. of WSCS	New Members WSCS	No. of Members WSG	No. of Members WSC	New WSG	New WSC	Total Adult Members	Net Gain Adult Members	Unorganized Circuits	Unorganized Churches	No. of Reports	% of Reports	NUMBER OF SECRETARIES						Supply	Status Women
															Miss. Ed.	CSR LCA	Student	Youth	Child	Spt. Life	Lit. & Pub.	
Alexandria	38	12	1201	28	217	2	1418	10	11	33	35	92%	85	34	24	24	28	35	35	35	32	22
Baton Rouge	50	10	1859	71	170	4	2039	51	12	20	50	100%	50	50	46	48	47	50	49	48	44	44
Lake Charles	38	15	1964	27	337	10	2301	90	7	11	36	95%	36	36	31	32	35	38	37	37	31	31
Monroe	53	13	1888	44	348	5	2236	4	12	15	53	100%	52	38	39	42	53	52	53	51	41	41
New Orleans	40	9	1667	123	190	26	1857	137	11	16	40	100%	36	36	29	34	34	40	38	38	30	30
Ruston	44	9	1690	45	244	4	1934	14	21	34	41	93%	40	40	31	33	36	40	38	39	33	33
Shreveport	43	16	2417	44	333	9	2750	28	8	12	43	100%	42	41	32	30	35	42	41	39	35	35
L.A. CONF. TOTAL	306	84	12,686	382	1839	60	14,525	334	77	141	298	97%	291	275	232	243	268	297	291	284	286	286

DISTRICT	Spt. Life	CSR & LCA	Program	Finance	Membership	Status Women	Pub. & Print.	Sent Remittances	Spec. Memberships	SUPPLY		SUBSCRIPTIONS				No. App. Study Classes	Societies Presenting Goals	Prayer Group	Missionary Speakers
										Cash	Boxes	Woman	World Outlook	Meth.	World				
Alexandria	32	31	32	30	27	18	19	34	10	21	8	344	163	7	163	21	11	16	3
Baton Rouge	50	30	50	50	30	47	50	28	9	97	13	340	295	7	295	22	11	14	1
Lake Charles	38	37	37	35	35	30	32	28	9	97	13	492	208	13	208	21	12	14	12
Monroe	45	39	53	49	43	37	45	44	10	32	16	614	220	16	220	37	23	28	1
New Orleans	38	36	39	39	36	33	35	36	4	24	17	458	181	16	181	14	8	18	3
Ruston	40	39	39	39	35	27	30	37	4	23	15	444	173	15	173	32	12	10	9
Shreveport	41	39	42	41	41	33	35	40	15	30	19	632	339	19	339	35	15	22	6
L.A. CONF. TOTAL	284	271	292	284	269	225	243	269	59	192	95	3324	1494	95	1494	182	99	108	28

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

The women of the Alexandria District are striving earnestly in all lines of work toward the realization, "That the Kingdom of God May Be Realized."

There are 1,418 members in thirty-eight societies and twelve Wesleyan Service Guilds. Three new societies have been added during these first three quarters of the year, Palmetto, White's Chapel and Mt. Zion.

Outstanding work has been done by Mrs. S. E. Richardson, secretary of Children's work. Under her leadership reporting has increased from thirteen per cent to ninety per cent. More additional sessions have been held than ever before.

The District Staff has been represented at every zone meeting held with the result that promotion in all lines of work has been emphasized.

Every society in the district has a secretary of Missionary Education and Service. There has been definite progress in Jurisdiction and Efficiency classes held this year.

We regret exceedingly that we did not meet our conference pledge last year, but are working earnestly to meet our quota.

The Spiritual Life work of the district has had great impetus under the capable leadership of Mrs. J. L. Groves. The influence of the Spiritual Retreat conducted by Mrs. Julia Reid Paxton, conference secretary of Spiritual Life held at the close of the conference mid-year executive meeting has been felt in all parts of the district.

We hope to embrace many of our thirty-three un-organized churches in our "Widening Fellowship" during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. John R. Galloway.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

During this first year of the new quadrennium, there has been a concerted effort on the part of every District Officer to keep constantly before the women of the Baton Rouge District, the broad program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, by keeping ever before them, the goals to be reached during the next four years. These goals were first presented through a Worship Service at our District Conference last year. They were emphasized in every Zone Meeting in the district, and they have been featured quarterly in the News Letter to every church. We hope to increase our membership and bring greater enrichment to the lives of our women by keeping ever before them the goals toward which we are advancing.

We have in the Baton Rouge District 50 Societies and 10 W.S.G. with a total membership of 2029. We have 12 unorganized circuits and 20 unorganized churches.

Reporting is improving, and we had 100% for the quarter just ended. The first two quarters, only one Society in the district failed to make a report. I believe this improvement in reporting is due to the use of the Modified plan report blank used by the smaller Societies. Also the concentrated Officer Training through the zone meetings during the first quarter. These meetings were well attended.

The Seminar was held in First Church, Baton Rouge with 195 in attendance. All the studies were presented by Conference Officers. Literature sales amounted to \$199.15.

During the months to come, we shall continue to emphasize the Goals, and strive to increase our giving to Missions, that The Kingdom of God may Be Realized.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. John Piker.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

At the end of the third quarter the membership totals 2301 — a gain of 104 this year. We have 15 Guilds, 38 Societies, and seven District Members representing 5 churches. One of the two new societies is in an Interdenominational Church.

Much credit and appreciation towards the increase in total organization is due our District Superintendent, Rev. Karl Tookey, who is an ardent promoter of our work. There are still 11 unorganized churches and 7 unorganized circuits on which we are working. One church is in the process of organizing.

The treasurer reports \$7816.36 has been paid on pledges. Supply work has been done by 33 societies. Cultivation, District Parsonage, and Alcohol Education Funds have been well supported.

Of 521 subscriptions to THE METHODIST WOMAN, 373 are by officers. Six societies have 100% officer and Prospect has every member subscribing. There are 205 WORLD OUTLOOK subscriptions.

The two Missionary Education Seminars held in September showed a registration of over 200 women and a \$251.52 sale of literature.

During the year two of our workers were itinerated in our district. Miss Lydia Gerhart spoke at Simpson and Crowley Churches. Miss Elizabeth Thompson spent a week with us visiting 12 societies.

The four zones were reactivated in November when we had the privilege of sharing our Conference President with our women. Under the guidance of our new Zone Leaders an Officers' Training Day in each zone is planned for May.

There are still many unmet needs in the district and our aim is to strive towards the Realization of the Kingdom of God for we know that "Of Him, and through Him and unto Him are all things. To Him be the glory ever." (Romans 11:36)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Roy Dugas
Secretary of Promotion

MONROE DISTRICT

The beginning of a new year found Monroe District Woman's Society of Christian Service ready to launch into a new quadrennium with renewed vigor and consecration. The Goals have been presented to the entire district membership at District and local society meetings. It is a matter of joy to your leaders that the women are united and ready to fall in with the new plans, confidently. The work has gone forward in an uninterrupted manner, and we realize that America's finest women are found in the work of the Woman's Society.

We close the year with an increase in every department of work. One society, Harrisonburg, claims the distinction of having **Every Woman Member of the Church a Member of the Woman's Society**. Three new societies have been organized, and two new Guilds. Our membership in the two, according to the last report, is 2,276. We still have 12 circuits not completely organized, made up of 14 churches.

Our treasurer reports \$1,153.05 Week of Prayer offering; \$1,455.65 cash spent on Supply Work, and an increase in pledges, Alcohol Education fund, Cultivation fund, Additional sessions for children and other items on our pledge to appropriations.

Additional activities of the District Promotion secretary in the area of Education and Cultivation:

2,385 miles travelled in interest of the work;

2,180 cultivation leaflets, pamphlets, etc., sent to unorganized churches;

1,800 news sheets, 300 postal cards, 320 letters, 200 instruction sheets sent out;

18 Officer Training days held; 6 Zone meetings, 2 District meetings, 2 Seminars and one Annual meeting of the Woman's Society Conference attended.

With the Christian way of life challenged everywhere, we must redouble our efforts to build a world Christian Community, and utilize more and more the spiritual resources available to our group. For all our gains we would praise Him who is able to do abundantly for us more than we ask.

"He who serves his brother best gets nearer God than all the rest."

Mrs. M. L. DeFreese,
Promotion secretary.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

In checking the quadrennial goals in the New Orleans District we find a very definite advance in all lines of work. We now have 40 societies and 9 Wesleyan Service Guilds with a total adult membership of 1857. A new church at Severn has been organized and a President of the Woman's Society elected. There are 458 subscriptions to the Methodist Woman and 181 to World Outlook. We are very much gratified to receive a 100% district report for the third quarter. Three zones have been organized and excellent meetings have been held in each zone with District officers assisting in Leadership Training. The unusual interest in the study of "Toward Understanding the Bible" in all societies makes us feel that our women are truly 'hungering and thirsting' for knowledge of the Word of God. The Kingdom of God will be realized when we seek to know His will for us. Our District meetings have been very well attended and this year we were privileged to have our Conference President as a guest speaker and Miss Lydia Gerhart gave an excellent report of the work under her supervision. We feel a great honor was bestowed on our district when our own Ella Dunbar was elected as Secretary of Supply Work of the South Central Jurisdiction. Under the capable leadership we now have in our district and with the co-operation of Conference and Jurisdiction officers and the help of our Heavenly Father we are looking forward to a wonderful new year.

Mrs. G. O. Willis,
Secretary of Promotion

RUSTON DISTRICT

Ruston District has made a good start on the work of the new quadrennial goal—That The Kingdom of God May Be Realized. At the five zone meetings last spring the district officers and secretaries presented the goals along with helps for putting them into effect.

The District Seminar was held in September at Haynesville with a grand attendance. During Thanksgiving week Miss Lydia Gerhart accompanied by Mrs. Lee Tidwell were speakers at a very informative meeting in Arcadia.

During the first three quarters of the year Ruston district women have paid \$7,929.37 on their pledge to Missions; for Supplies they have sent \$689.63, and \$162.75 has been paid to the Alcohol fund. The Week of Prayer offering amounted to \$869.23. Ten Baby memberships and ten adult memberships have been given during this period.

Two new societies have been organized—Castor and Strange. Two district members are actively participating in neighboring societies. There are now forty-four Woman's Societies with 1,690 members and nine Wesleyan Service Guilds with 244 members. This means there are 1,934 women in Ruston District working "That The Kingdom Of God May Be Realized."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. F. Manning, Jr.
Promotion Secretary

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

At the close of the third quarter of the first year of the quadrennium the Shreveport District is grateful to the Heavenly Father for the many blessings of service that have been ours and for the advance that has been made in His name and for His sake.

We have one new Society, making a total of 43 Societies and 16 Guilds. Our total membership is 2750 which is a net increase of 51 members this year. Last year we netted 260 new members through the progressive visitation plan which was so well set up in its working bases. This would indicate that we are more fruit-bearing when we have definite ways and means of attaining our goals laid down for us by the Division.

The amount sent to the Treasurer of the District so far from Guilds and Societies is: Appropriations, \$15,467.38; Cash Supplies, \$1460.74; Week of Prayer Offering, \$1248.05. When the 4th quarter pledge money is in, the District will more than meet its goal of \$17,920.50. The retiring officers of the District have been granted the privilege of conferring life memberships on seven women in local Societies who have made distinct contributions to the W. S. C. S.

We have an increase of 48 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman over last year, making a total of 632, and an increase of 15 subscriptions to The World Outlook, making a total of 372.

Our Zone meetings were very fine this year, both in the type meetings presented and the general response on the part of the women. The quadrennial emphases were launched with an informational and inspiration approach.

The District is growing in the number of Secretaries for all lines of work, in needed committees, in officer training days and in prayer groups.

A report is of worth only as it is a measuring rod of achievements and as it points up the places where we need to put forth greater effort. One of the projects of the District is to seek District members in churches that are too small or not quite ready for a Society, to hold up the goals before the women so that their Christian service may be directed in W.S.C.S. objectives and purposes, to form more prayer groups as prayer is the fountain of all good and wise action, to create and set in motion plans for a widening fellowship, to promote the reading of The Methodist Woman and The World Outlook for without information we have no sense of direction, and in every line of work to "study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed."

Thus do we "press on toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Clarence Day
Promotion Secretary

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES IN MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE 1953-54

FOURTH QUARTER: (March, April, May, 1953)

1. Approved Study Course, Africa. May be introduced by the March program, "The Vision From Bingahuyu".
2. Participation in a cooperative class in a Christian Workers' Training School.
3. Send Quarterly and Annual Reports to your District Secretary by June 1st.

FIRST QUARTER: (June, July, August, 1953)

1. Approved Study Course—one of the three which has not been taken.
2. Louisiana Conference School of Missions and Christian Service, Centenary College, Shreveport, La., August 24-28, 1953
3. Send First Quarter's Report by August 31st.

SECOND QUARTER: (September, October, November, 1953)

1. Approved Study Course Life and Task of the Church Around the World (Foreign Missions Study)
2. Educational Seminars (last two weeks in September).
3. Participate in Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.
4. Send Second Quarter's Report by November 30th.

THIRD QUARTER: (December, January, February, 1953-54)

1. Approved Study Course Jeremiah (Bible Study and/or the 1953-54 Church-wide Study. (The Church-wide study may be scheduled in any quarter suitable with the local church and the pastor, who teaches it.)
2. Participate in World Day of Prayer.
3. Send Third Quarter's Report by February 28th.

FOURTH QUARTER: (March April, May, 1954)

1. Approved Study Course Spanish Speaking Americans (Home Missions Study).
2. Participation in cooperative class in a Christian Workers' Training School.
3. Send Quarterly and Annual Reports by June 1st.

FIRST QUARTER: (June, July, August, 1954)

1. Approved Study Alcohol and Christian Responsibility.
2. School of Missions and Christian Service.
(The First Quarter is included because the new materials for programs and studies are dated to begin in September of each year rather than in June. Regular quarterly duties such as participating in the Program, Finance, and Executive Meetings are not listed in the calendar.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 1953—FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1953

Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana

APPROVED STUDY COURSES AND INSTRUCTORS

1. The Life and Task of the Church Around the World—Mrs. George W. Dameron.
2. Jeremiah—Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.
3. Spanish Speaking Americans—Mrs. W. W. Paxton.
4. Alcohol and Christian Responsibility—Dr. Earl Hotalen.

WORKSHOPS:

1. Christian Youth and Vocations.
2. Educational Opportunities in the Woman's Society in the Local Church.
Techniques of presenting monthly program material, study classes, and other educational opportunities.
3. The Circle, Its Purpose and Program.
The composition, leadership, programs, finances of circles.
4. The Woman's Society in the Total Church Program.
The relation of the Society to the total program of the church, based on opportunities and responsibilities as set forth in the new Discipline.

DEPARTMENTAL CLINICS:

1. Missionary Education and Service.
2. Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.
3. Spiritual Life.
4. Wesleyan Service Guild.
5. Presidents.
6. Youth Work.
7. Student Work.
8. Missionary Personnel.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

Mrs. Warren Constant, Secretary

The heart of education, it has been said, is the education of the heart. From the very beginning of time we have been looking for a recipe for education that can be quickly and easily concocted and taken in one bite. In this "one world" of ours a Christian needs wide knowledge. We can get it if we will. "What we are is God's gift to us. What we make of ourselves is our gift to Him." Let us consider our Missionary Education and Service Gift to Him since June, 1952.

We have 35 societies without Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service. Lake Charles and New Orleans had 100% reporting the first quarter, and Shreveport and Alexandria the second quarter.

The number of societies reporting action following monthly programs is still very small, 22 being the highest number. There has been a small but steady increase in reading circles, libraries, and the use of missionary materials in monthly programs.

Our Study Program has been one of the highest quality. To date there have been only 4 rejections for Jurisdiction Recognition. We have had 118 accredited classes, 11 of these were in the Wesleyan Service Guild. As yet we do not have every woman studying, but for two quarters there have been 6,435 women in 459 study classes.

The proof of the pudding is in the eating! The proof of our study program is our ACTION! Numerous monetary gifts as results of studies have been sent to our Jurisdiction Projects: Spofford Home, Kansas City, Missouri; and the Girls' Hostel in Liberia, Africa. Many libraries have been started and additions made to film and church libraries. Several negro elementary schools had their playground equipment repaired. A colored Methodist woman is being sent to a leadership training school this summer. A record player and records were donated to a negro kindergarten. Two inter-racial study classes on "Africa" are being planned. The children of Denham Springs chose their Hallowe'en "Trick or Treat" night to collect \$70.43 for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. Textbooks and other materials have been sent to the Indian Mission Conference. Wider use is being made of the Prayer Calendar, and the majority reports more individual Bible study and daily devotions. Cash donations have been sent to the Leprosy Missions in Africa. Prayer groups organized and reactivated and families are having daily periods for worship. Two outstanding items in all the reports on action are: the forming of Christian attitudes toward other racial groups and the renewed and increased love for the Holy Bible.

The 1952 School of Missions and Christian Service was held on the campus of Centenary College August 25-29 with a total attendance of 244. The Board of Education issued 175 credits. The three approved studies were taught by five accredited teachers; four workshops and eight departmental clinics were conducted.

Eight District Seminars were held the last two weeks in September. There was a total attendance of 1291. Of the 301 societies in the Conference 197 were represented (65.4%). Of the 266 Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service 134 (50.3%) were present. The low number of secretaries present was a disappointing feature of the Seminars. Offerings amounted to \$309.87. 520 Study Outlines were sold.

One foreign project (Iowa Society, Yechun: Evangelistic Work; Korea \$50.00 has been added to our list, making a total of 17 societies with foreign missionary projects, amounting to \$1060.00. The Louisiana Conference supports 7 missionaries at Foreign Projects. Miss Martha Fay White of LeCompte has joined the M-3s and is in Singapore, Malaya.

From August 24 through August 28 the 1953 School of Missions and Christian Service will be held at Centenary College, Shreveport, with the following courses and teachers: ALCOHOL AND CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY, DR. EARL HOTALEN; JEREMIAH, MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.; THE LIFE AND TASK OF THE CHURCH AROUND THE

WORLD, MRS. G. W. DAMERON; SPANISH SPEAKING AMERICANS, MRS. W. W. PAXTON. Four Workshops and seven Departmental Clinics will be conducted by Conference Officers.

Our Missionary Education and Service Gift to Him will continue to grow and advance along with the educated heart for the further the heart goes, the further it sees to go.

STATISTICAL REPORT

	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter
Number Approved			
Study Classes	173	286	
No. J.R. Classes	15 (2 W.S.G.)	46 (6 W.S.G.)	57 (3 W.S.G.)
No. Eff. Classes	11	25 (5 W.S.G.)	
Classes Meeting			
No Standard	147 (13 W.S.G.)	215 (23 W.S.G.)	

RECOMMENDATIONS

MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

It is recommended:

1. That Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service study the quadrennial theme, "That the Kingdom of God May Be Realized," with its six points of emphasis, in relation to the total program of Missionary Education, in order to give guidance to local societies concerning ways in which the plans for Missionary Education may be used to help realize these goals.
2. That Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service work toward the following objectives in Missionary Education: (A) To use studies, visual aids, missionary speakers, and other methods and materials to create an atmosphere in which the "Mind for Missions" will develop; (B) To interpret the study program as a continuing experience in Christian growth, from which changed attitudes, widened horizons, and a keener awareness of community needs will result—rather than a series of isolated units of study based on single text books; (C) To help local societies discover opportunities in which they can share in interpreting Missions to the entire church; (D) To know the plans and opportunities of the Church for the Missionary Education of all age groups.
3. That Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service encourage, and seek to plan definitely for, tours to Woman's Division projects within the conference and/or beyond.
4. That Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service encourage the use of the Prayer Calendar as a source of missionary information, as well as a devotional guide, calling attention to the "Do You Know" booklets as helpful resource materials to use with the Prayer Calendar.
5. That Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service encourage the use of ALL the approved study courses of the Woman's Division in Cooperative Classes as well as in Church-wide classes.
6. That, since the Methodist Church has designated the year 1953 as the "Year of Evangelism", and since the Woman's Societies of Christian Service are called upon to actively cooperate in the Church's plans for the Year of Evangelism, Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service use their opportunities to interpret the relation of the 1953-54 approved studies to the total evangelistic emphasis.
7. That district and local societies and individuals, keep in close touch with the Workers through correspondence and all personal contacts possible.
8. That Workers, as a group, and as individuals, both active and retired, be given frequent special recognition.
9. That district and local secretaries of Missionary Education and Service channel all available missionary information to the local societies and urge the distribution and full use of such materials.
10. That district and local secretaries of Missionary Education and Service study and explain to local societies missionary projects, home and foreign.

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

Mrs. C. F. Goldthwait, Secretary

The Presidential election created such wide-spread interest that more than ever before our women have been conscious of the power of the vote. Previous experience in getting women to register and go to the polls counted greatly in getting greater results than ever before. The fact that we were also voting on many Constitutional Amendments to the State Constitution created the desire to study these also, with an increased interest in state government.

Early in the year, local Secretaries were asked to go to their local Sheriff or other law enforcement officer, and present to him the booklet on "Race and Law Enforcement". A number of women had interesting experiences doing so, and learned much of interest. One Secretary, Mrs. T. M. Neely, of Colfax, was the first in the Jurisdiction to report doing this, and another, Mrs. Gilbert Beasley of Thibodaux, was interviewed and photographed in the "World Outlook."

The study "Home Missions and Human Rights" has been widely used, and has made us more conscious of the many areas in which rights are denied to various groups. Health facilities and education for the Negro in our state has again been discussed, but also the same rights for the Indians of our state, for migrants, and others. The rights that we want for ourselves have taken on new meaning when we have begun to realize that not all Americans are given the same.

The Wesleyan Service "Guilders" have been extremely active, as well as generous in their giving. Methodist Home Hospital, the Ruston Orphanage, Wesley Foundations, the Alcohol Fund, have all been benefited by their help. Many Guilds also have special projects for their own local churches.

Local Church Activities, as usual, take up much of the time of the women of the church. Since there has been an unusual amount of building, both of churches, educational buildings and parsonages, the women have carried their full share, in adding to the beauty and comfort. These activities which go on from week to week, and year to year, do for the church, what the mother does for the home—make it a pleasant place in which to do the work of the Lord.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand, December 1, 1952	\$ 26.60
Received from Conference Treasurer, January 25, 1953	<u>100.00</u>
	\$126.60
Disbursements	
Mimeographing	\$12.46
Stamps and mailing	13.64
Stationery	7.91
Literature	2.25
Annual meeting La. Conf. Social Welfare	12.00
Advanced for Seminar "The Issues of Peace"	16.00
Membership La. Conference Social Welfare	<u>3.00</u>
	<u>67.26</u>
March 1, 1953, Balance	\$ 59.34

RECOMMENDATIONS CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS 1953-1954

United Nations.

Because of unwarranted attacks being made on the U.N. by some people, we recommend

That Woman's Societies and Guilds write to their Senators and Congressmen to urge that they vote to give our full share of financial support to the United Nations and the UN International Children's Emergency Fund, and to increase amounts appropriated to Technical Assistance.

Mass Media of Communication.

More and more children are watching television and listening to radios. Therefore, we recommend

That local Societies appoint committees to co-operate with other groups to evaluate television and radio programs for children and report to the Society. Such information should be made available to young parents and other interested groups.

Alcohol Education.

1. Because of the tremendous interest and response on the part of young people in Louisiana to the information given in High Schools by Dr. Vernon White, we recommend

That we pledge to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation for 1953-54, the amount of \$3,000.00, or 25c per member, for further promotion of this work among young people of the state.

2. In view of the need for strengthening our moral leadership we further recommend

That the study "Alcohol and Our Christian Responsibility" be presented by each Society, and that young people be invited to participate.

3. Because we believe that the alcohol problem is a national problem, and because we want to strengthen moral integrity in government, we recommend

That each Society urge President Eisenhower to give constructive leadership in this field, and that we write Mrs. Eisenhower as White House hostess, asking her to refrain from serving alcoholic beverages at public functions.

Migratory Labor.

In view of the fact of widespread use of migratory labor in various fields of agriculture in Louisiana, we recommend

That local Societies be alert to offer facilities and services wherever, possible, and that we co-operate with the State Council of Church Women in this project.

A CHARTER OF RACIAL POLICIES

For The Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church

WE BELIEVE

1. We believe that God is the Father of all races and we are His children in one family.

2. We believe that the personality of every human being is sacred.

3. We believe that opportunities for fellowship and service, for personal growth, and for freedom in every aspect of life are inherent rights of every individual.

4. We believe that the visible church of Jesus Christ must demonstrate these principles within its own organization and program.

5. We believe that the Woman's Division as an Agency of The Methodist Church must build in every area it may touch a fellowship and social order without racial barriers.

6. We believe that progress may be advanced by declaring emphatically those policies on which the Woman's Division is determined to move in order to come nearer the ideal.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

Miss Mary Gladys Page, Secretary

Comparative figures for the first three quarters of 1951-52 and 1952-53:

	1951-52	1952-53
Pledges paid	\$6,985.63	\$7,740.24
Special Memberships and Memorials	538.00	525.00
Week of Prayer	619.41	585.44
Other		17.00
Total Appropriations	8,143.04	8,567.68
Supplies		
Home	558.49	537.29
Foreign	174.39	228.25
Alcohol Education	59.80	69.35

There are now 85 Guilds with a total membership of 1808. Two new Guilds have been reported during the past three quarters: Sterlington in the Monroe District and Canal Street in the New Orleans District.

Reporting has shown a marked improvement: first quarter 61 reported; second quarter, 71; and third quarter, 75, or about 88%. Two Districts, New Orleans and Shreveport, have had 100% reporting for the past three quarters. Alexandria came back up to 100% the third quarter.

It is my opinion that the Wesleyan Service Guild in Louisiana is now ready for, and definitely needs, more complete organization. When we stop to think what we are trying to do, it is quite evident that we are not trying to do too much but that we are trying to do it with too few people working at it, thus limiting the work and yet overworking some officers—while we have many capable women who would doubtless gladly serve in one capacity but would hesitate to tackle some of the jobs as now handled. For example, in most Districts the District Secretary is not only trying to do the work that corresponds somewhat to that of the District President but must serve in most districts as leader in the various lines of work and for the past two years has been assigned one line of work on the conference level.

It seems if the work is to progress beyond its present station the work will have to be divided by electing chairmen of each line of work on the conference and district level. Therefore I recommend and strongly urge that at the spring District meetings those districts not already organized elect a Promotion Secretary, Recording Secretary and Secretaries of Spiritual Life, Missionary Education, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activity and Supply Work and any others needed. That steps be taken to do the same thing on the conference level at Camp Brewer in July.

Then that ways of working with and through these officers be considered by the parallel Conference Officer, thus bringing the work more alive in many local Guilds where often some of the officers are already nominal since the officer may not have been given sufficient incentive to dig into available literature and find out what she can and should be doing in her particular office.

Perhaps one of our over-all needs in this regard is that all of us, local members and officers, District and Conference officers of the WSCS and WSG come to think of our work not as something separate and apart but as only a part of the total. That, if the best results in the total program is to be reached, every officer, except those for work with children, young people and students, should be conscious that she has a twin sister in the other group and that only when these two sets of officers are working in close harmony, cooperation and consciousness of the other can a well coordinated total program be a reality.

It is hoped that some of these new officers may have a pioneering spirit for at first much of the success of the work will depend on finding ways to coordinate the work within the Guild and between the two groups. For the plan to be truly effective it will need to be carried out on the conference level and in all districts thus opening channels straight through to every Guild as is done now in the Woman's Society, yet working through the parallel offices in the Woman's Society.

It is with real regret that I make my final report to the Louisiana Conference as Conference Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. This work during the past three years has been a most enriching experience and I am deeply grateful for all the opportunities it has offered me and for the many warm friends it has given me. I would like to express my deep appreciation for the help and cooperation I have had from all sources—even for the constructive criticisms that have been most helpful. One of the wonderful things about this work is the spirit that pervades the entire organization and the sense of real service that make long hours of work a pleasure and a privilege.

RECOMMENDATIONS WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

1953-1954

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. THAT leadership training on all levels be made a special concern, using as a guide the new Guild Handbook.
2. THAT for better reporting make the purpose clear—education first.
3. THAT (a) Guild clinics be considered in connection with the conference schools of missions;
(b) Seminar leaders be shared with the Wesleyan Service Guild, holding evening sessions;
(c) The approved studies be presented on both conference and district levels.
4. THAT carefully planned retreats, with trained leaders be encouraged.
5. THAT recruitment of young women for full-time Christian service be made an individual concern.
6. THAT careful study and the necessary information be made available to key women preceding the organization of Guild units. Many churches should organize additional units in order that every gainfully employed woman be reached.
7. THAT a planned tour of the mission projects supported by the Woman's Division of Christian Service within the South Central Jurisdiction and Mexico be considered for the Wesleyan Service Guild members.
8. THAT giving may not be simply to reach a goal but done sacrificially as each heart feels the need to share with others according to Christ's teaching.

ANNUAL REPORT OF STUDENT WORK 1952 - 1953

Mrs. William E. Trice, Secretary

While we are realistic enough to know that the world cannot be saved in one generation, workers in the student field can see that the Christian student of today will be responsible for bringing the kingdom a little closer to fruition in his time.

So we continue to give all our support to the Methodist Student Movement that greater and increasing numbers may be nurtured in the faith of our Lord. During the year closing, evidence of progress has been seen in:

1. Closer cooperation between student secretaries and representative groups of the Methodist Student Movement (Wesley Foundations Campus Religious Councils).
2. Increasing interest in the Five Dollar Plan.
3. More interest in keeping contact with students away from home.
4. Larger numbers of students have been used on Church and Woman's Society programs.
5. Financial help to students to attend conferences, seminars, work camps, and caravans has shown increase.

These are the "extras" which make for a fuller church program on our campuses.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STUDENT WORK 1953 - 1954

Your student secretaries recommend:

1. That a student secretary be elected in every local society before the end of the year 1953.
2. That as follow-up on the Library Project, we place a copy of the revised version of the Bible and a copy of State Laws on Race and Color in every student center in our conference, including Negro Colleges.

3. That we encourage our best young people to go to college. This is a most effective way to help in recruitment.
4. That we make more use of our "calendar of activities" in planning our work.
5. That we be responsible for the service personnel from our local churches unless there is a special committee appointed for this service.
6. That foreign students continue to be one of our special projects.
7. That we continue to give our support to the Five Dollar Plan in order that the religious program of the Methodist Church may be adequately presented on every college campus.
8. That the blue student information cards be sent, as last year, to the Conference Secretary of Student Work.

YOUTH WORK

Mrs. J. T. Folk, Secretary

Each quarter a larger number of local secretaries are reporting to the district secretaries. They report many activities in the field of Missions; Sunday School classes, Sunday Evening Meetings, use of visual aids, missionary speakers, book reviews, supply boxes, trips to visit the mission projects, correspondence with youth in other lands, MY Fund pledge services.

The Sunday School unit on AFRICA is excellent; it has aroused interest among our youth. The study on human rights is written in the evening programs for spring. If the aroused interest results in increased giving, the youth fund total should exceed that of the past year.

I am deeply concerned about the MY fund. The purpose is to train our young people to give systematically to missions. How few churches are giving anything to this fund! The amount given is low in comparison with some smaller, poorer conferences near us. I believe that our giving will increase by leaps and bounds if we have pledge services in which each person signs his own card promising to pay a certain amount each Sunday. Since more are in Sunday School than in evening meetings, I suggest that each local secretary try to put the pledge and the collection of the pledge in the Sunday School. It can be done in the whole department; and in case of the very small church, in the youth class.

I asked that MY Fund Bulletins be mailed to each district secretary who, in turn, mails them to each local secretary. The district secretaries have distributed other free literature.

There have been several district and sub-district workshops this year. The local and district secretaries have had a chance to lead the section on Missions and World Friendship. If we take each opportunity to teach the youth and local youth leaders, we will increase the knowledge, the interest, the giving, and the missionary personnel, because as young people know the need, they will be more willing to share their money and their lives.

YOUTH WORK RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. That in every W.S.C.S. the election or re-election of a secretary of youth work be according to the plan described on page 19 of the new Guide.
2. That secretaries of youth work become accredited teachers of courses dealing with youth and the MYF. Some district secretaries are actually working with the youth division in the local Church. They should know some in their district who are doing the same thing. I suggest that they write Rev. Bentley Sloane about the possibility of becoming accredited teachers.
3. That every youth secretary attend officers' training day in the local society, the zone, or the district.
4. That the quadrennial program of the W.S.C.S. and the MYF be closely related and that information concerning the youth emphasis be

presented regularly to the Woman's Society by the youth secretary. November 28 issue of **Concern** and the May **Methodist Woman** will be helpful.

5. That each district secretary check carefully to see if the right persons in the local churches are receiving the **M. Y. Fund Bulletin**. If you need additional copies, please write your conference secretary of youth work.

6. That Woman's Societies have mother-daughter occasions and use them as opportunities for presenting youth memberships.

7. That wider use be made of all the free material—free packets and leaflets.

8. That all secretaries of youth work be alert to take advantage of the new helps available soon:

a. a new revised **S.O.S.**

b. a new handbook (about May 1)

c. a new **Guidebook** (about June 1)

d. new calendar suggestions in the **April Methodist Woman**

e. **Concern**.

9. That all secretaries promote the **M. Y. Fund** through the Sunday School. Very few churches are actually contributing to this fund. Write your district secretaries for help.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S SECRETARY

Mrs. James C. Whitaker

There is increased interest in the missionary education of children. There are more local secretaries than ever before. More secretaries are reporting. The number of churches having additional sessions for children has almost doubled in the last year. Recommended missionary materials are being more widely used. Workers are becoming aware that the Methodist Church has a plan for educating children along missionary lines and they are eagerly presenting the missionary units of study. Because of the unusual way of dividing the gifts of money given in additional sessions it has taken a long time to put the plan across, but it is gradually taking hold and gifts are being directed through the local Woman's Society treasurers for missions. It is interesting to note that over the whole of the United States the children contributed through the Children's Service Fund (offerings taken in additional sessions) in 1951-52 a total of \$39,999.88 to the Woman's Division. How we wish that Louisiana children might have had a larger share in this gift! Contributions to the Children's Service Fund have increased in the three quarters of this year.

For the past several months many children in our conference have been studying about the "American Indians and Human Rights" and (or) "Africa." Interesting activities have taken place, but what has happened to the minds and hearts of our children is more important. Many expressions of love for others have come as a result of study.

Calendar of Activities, 1953-54 will appear in **THE METHODIST WOMAN** for April, 1953. This is the guide for the local secretary in planning her work for each month.

Missionary emphases for Methodist children for 1953-54 will relate to "Spanish-Speaking Americans" and "Work and Worship Around the World."

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHILDREN'S WORK

1. That the children's secretary, who is a regular worker in the Church School, attend Officers' Training Day and take advantage of other training opportunities.
2. That the secretaries actively cooperate in the promotion of the emphasis on Christian family life that the church is making during the present quadrennium.
3. That secretaries of children's work help promote the study for 1953-54 on **Alcohol and Christian Responsibility**.
4. That secretaries continue to participate in the plans of the follow-up

program of action of the White House Conference on Children and Youth.

5. That secretaries be urged to become better acquainted with the public schools in their own community; that they endeavor to understand the needs confronting these schools at the present time; and that they cooperate actively with other citizens in meeting these needs.
6. That secretaries join with other Methodist women in urging support of the appropriation for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.
7. That secretaries note that the presenting of missionary studies for children is one of the goals listed on the "Missionary Chart for Checking Achievement of Goals" for the local society.
8. That secretaries of children's work continue to study and support the work of the United Nations.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

Mrs. P. D. Lambert

Meetings. For your new secretary of Literature and Publications, following one of the best of secretaries, the year 1952-1953 has been a succession of very informative and inspirational meetings. Taking office in June, I began immediately to prepare for the Jurisdiction School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah. There we were ably led in a Clinic by our Jurisdiction secretary, Mrs. R. H. Cole, with several discussion groups led by Mrs. C. A. Meeker, our editor of "The Methodist Woman." Visiting with us one day was Mrs. W. F. Cooley, newly elected Jurisdiction secretary. Attending this Clinic, also, were Mrs. Wideman Watson, Ruston District secretary and Mrs. Minza Rabun, Monroe District Guild secretary. In August came our own Conference School of Missions in Shreveport, where we had in our Clinic three other District secretaries: Mrs. Robert Compton, Mrs. C. I. Taylor, and Mrs. W. R. Simmons, from the Districts of Lake Charles, Monroe and Shreveport. Altogether, 35 local secretaries attended the Clinic, and Mrs. W. E. Noel of Gilliam, present at all sessions, reports all 14 officers subscribers to "The Methodist Woman" and "The World Outlook." In September I was on the program of four of the eight Seminars, at which the District secretaries did a splendid job of selling over \$1,000 of our literature, the Lake Charles District leading in this field. In October the Executive Committee met in the beautiful new church in Pineville. During the month of February, I was privileged to attend the Jurisdiction Society meeting in Amarillo. The Louisiana Conference in the month of March at University Church in Baton Rouge will long be remembered as another "mountain top" experience. Added to these were some fine District meetings. In November, we had as our speaker, Mrs. Glenn Laskey, and in December, Miss Lydia Gerhart, rounding out the year with a District meeting in April with Mrs. Warren Constant, and Officer Training in Zone meeting in May.

Reporting in the Conference improved from 78% for the first quarter to 82% in the second quarter. All District secretaries reported on time, with Alexandria District leading in percentage reporting. We are sixth in the Jurisdiction.

SUBSCRIPTIONS to our two publications, The Methodist Woman and The World Outlook, have increased: 204 gain, 3091 total; 202 gain, 1406 total, respectively, making us place ninth in our Jurisdiction. Societies with all officers subscribers to the Methodist Woman 47, The World Outlook 9, placing us fifth and third. Monroe District leads in our Conference.

May we continue to increase in the use of the fine literature for each officer and secretary, the program material, approved studies and field literature found at our Literature Headquarters.

Recommendations—1953-1954

We recommend that:

1. Every Woman's Society elect a secretary of Literature, or assign her duties including quarterly reporting to the secretary of Missionary Education and Service, or the recording secretary.
2. The local Secretary of Literature assume the responsibility of seeing that, before installation, each officer has a new Guide, or the leaflet on her office, a Handbook, if listed in the catalogue, and a subscription to The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook.
3. Each secretary set as a goal one third increase in subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook.
4. The local secretary of Literature present The Methodist Woman and World Outlook in a brief but striking way to her society at least once each quarter, and that she enlist the aid of her pastor in presenting World Outlook to the church membership.
5. The local secretary of Literature circulate a copy of "Patterns for Peace," the thirteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Division, among the officers.

SUPPLY WORK REPORT

Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, Conference Secretary

Our Supply Work for the first two quarters of 1952-53 show some gains over the last year, and some losses. We are in hopes that when the third quarter report is in it will bring up the figures that are behind our reporting of last year. We did not advance in cash supply giving -- in fact, it has dropped considerably. We did make a decided advance in value of new supplies. Our giving of used garments increased 1,540, and many books and magazines were given. We need to bring up our giving of CASH SUPPLIES these next two quarters of the year to keep our standard. That is where our weakness lies.

I feel sure that many more used garments and books and magazines were given during this period, but some do not see the value of reporting these since no value can be placed on them, but if you would read some of the letters I have been sending to you, from the grateful workers who receive these garments, or visit some of the institutions near-by in our State, who depend on them in their work, you would realize how valuable they are.

We learned as little children, "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." I know this must mean the women who have sent the bundles of good warm clothing to Korea and Japan, or who have remembered the children in our Sager Brown Home with Christmas gifts, or St. Mark's Community Center with money for their new panel truck, or People's Community Center with supplies for their nursery work, or money or gifts for the beautiful Prayer Room at MacDonell Methodist Center, or money and working materials sent for our Rural Work to Elizabeth Thompson, or the many articles of clothing and other supplies sent to Dulac Indian Mission, or the vitamins and other medical supplies sent to Agnes Brooks, our nurse at MacDonell and Dulac. They all have been gratefully received. Figures on a Supply Work Report do not mean too much when you look at them, but if you knew the joy you add to the work of our missionaries and workers, the figures would become very real to you. Anna Givens has written us how much joy the clothes sent to her in Japan for distribution to those she ministers to, especially to the wife of one of our Methodist ministers, who was badly in need of a suit, included in one of the packages sent from a society, and how the vitamins you have sent have helped workers and others who were sick from lack of proper food, to carry on.

I would like to thank the societies especially for responding so generously to the special call for supplies for Korea. Many of you sent packages of food, medicines, clothing and blankets to Thelma Maw and she is so grateful for them. Keep them going!

It has been a pleasure to serve you as Supply Secretary this year.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUPPLY WORK

Mrs. Sam B. Dunbar, Conference Secretary

“And God gave us love
and the Spirit to give”

So said the poet at Christmas time, but it is also true of Supply Work the whole year 'round for the societies throughout the Conference have been most generous in their Supply giving this past year. What a joy is ours when we receive acknowledgement of gifts from those who need them so badly in their work!

In order to continue the good work, these recommendations are suggested:

1. That a **Secretary of Supply Work** be elected in each local society. In very small societies, this work may be assigned to the secretary of Missionary Education.

2. That each local secretary secure a Handbook for Secretaries of Supply Work, (Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio, 15c) and study it carefully. You will find it most helpful in knowing what and how to do your work.

3. That through skits, posters, letters from the institutions in both the Home and Foreign Field, articles in the Methodist Woman and World Outlook, secretaries of Supply Work educate societies to a greater appreciation of the urgency of Supply Work

4. That each local society (a) Do some Supply Work for both Home and Foreign mission institutions under the Woman's Division, and (b) Mail reports on time.

5. That all CASH for Supply Work go through the **REGULAR** channels (through your local treasurer marked for supply work) and that all boxes of materials, clothing, etc., be accompanied by a **Shipment of Goods** blank carefully filled out. These blanks may be obtained from your District or Conference Secretary.

6. That the secretary of Supply Work, at the beginning of the new year, meet with secretaries of **YOUTH WORK, CHILDREN'S WORK,** the **TREASURER** and the chairman of Supply Work of the **WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD** and discuss (for mutual understanding) Supply Work and plan for its promotion.

7. That the local secretary of Supply Work get a report from the **WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD,** the secretary of **YOUTH WORK,** and **CHILDREN'S WORK** about the Supply Work that may have been done in those groups. She will check with the **TREASURER** and will urge that **ALL** cash for Supply Work be sent through the regular channels.

8. That the **District Secretary of Supply Work** make a careful study of the the work done by each local society and Wesleyan Guild, and give special assistance through letter or telephone calls to those not meeting the standards, or those who do not understand the making of reports.

9. That opportunities be made for presenting Supply Work in the local societies in an interesting and challenging manner by the secretaries of Supply Work at both District and local meetings.

10. That each District Secretary send to the local societies as much information as possible (or will tell where information may be found) about the institutions for which their requests have come.

W. S. C. S. HOME SUPPLY SCHEDULE

Districts	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
Alexandria.....	St. Mark's Sager Brown	People's Center Bataan Hosp.	MacDonell Center Agnes Brooks, R.N.	Bisti School Dulac Mission
Baton Rouge.....	St. Mark's Sager Brown	Bisti School People's Center	MacDonell Center Agnes Brooks, R.N.	Bisti School Dulac Mission
Lake Charles.....	MacDonell Center Sager Brown	Bisti School Dulac Mission	St. Mark's Agnes Brooks, R.N.	People's Center Bataan Hosp.
Monroe.....	People's Center Bataan Hosp.	MacDonell Center Agnes Brooks, R. N.	Bisti School Dulac Mission	St. Mark's Sager Brown
New Orleans.....	MacDonell Center Agnes Brooks, R.N.	Bisti School Dulac Mission	St. Mark's Sager Brown	People's Center Bataan Hosp.
Ruston.....	Bisti School Dulac Mission	St. Mark's Sager Brown	People's Center Bataan Hosp.	MacDonell Center Agnes Brooks, R.N.
Shreveport.....	Bisti School Dulac Mission	St. Mark's Agnes Brooks, R. N.	People's Center Bataan Hosp.	Sager Brown MacDonell Center

SUPPLY NEEDS

(Please follow schedule for your District)

Bisti School and Community Center, Navajo, Box 877, Farmington, N. M.

Cash for: bread slicer, one bedroom suite, cot mattresses, canned milk, pot, 12" paper cutter, dishes, magazine subscriptions, sewing machine. Furnishings: rag rugs, sheets (63x99), quilts (54x90), blankets, bath towels, hand towels, wash cloths. Clothing: Boy's jeans sizes 6, 8, 10, 12; summer and winter underclothing, flannel nightshirts; work sox sizes 8, 8½, 9; 40" black and brown shoe laces.

Bataan Memorial Methodist Hospital, 5400 Gibson Blvd, S. E., Albuquerque, N. M.

Sheets, cot, crib and twin sizes, white, if colored, jade green. Spreads, ripplette, cordette or pique, cot, crib and twin sizes. Surgical or hand towels. Clothing: Infants shirts (6 mos. - 4 years), stockings, bibs, sacques or jacquettes, gowns (all 6 mos. - 6 years). Tea towels, dish cloths, aprons (white duck twill).

St. Mark's Community Center, 1130 N. Rampart St., New Orleans, La.

(Where possible, CASH, with which to buy supplies as needed)

Craft Materials: cutting scissors, finger paints, 500 sheets paint paper, Dennison's Crepe Paper (assorted colors), clay for Ceramics, Gesso Clay. Material for costume jewelry: Sequins (assorted colors), Sequin glue, beads (assorted colors), ear ring backs, scatter pin backs, shell craft materials. Office supplies and equipment: Typewriter, stencils, paper clips, carbon paper (black), letter size typing paper, onion skin paper, pencils, scotch tape. Miscellaneous Equipment: Portable record player with amplifier, tape recorder, 35 MM camera with flash attachment. Athletic Equipment: Basketball, football, volleyball, indoor balls, punching bags on stands. Day care equipment: sheets for cots, blankets, canvas for cots, plastilene clay, puzzles and blocks for children, wooden trains and animals.

MacDonell Methodist Center, P. O. Box 270, Houma, La.

Tooth paste, combs, double and single sheets, paper cups, plates and napkins, kleenex, kotex, washing powder, typing paper, scotch tape, children's gifts for boys and girls, ages 6 - 17, gift wrappings. Money for books for older children. Good clean used clothing for all ages - men, women and children.

Dulac Indian Mission, Box 1150, Dulac, La.

School supplies: construction paper, paste, glue, scissors, color-books, art paper, children's phonograph records, toys (new), modeling clay, thumb tacks, simple games, jig-saw puzzles, simple story books, etc. PLEASE DO NOT SEND: tablets, pencils, crayons, writing paper. Used clothing: Infant's and children's clothing, adult clothing, sheets, bed covers, curtains, towels, quilt scraps, yard goods (feed sacks, etc.) Pantry supplies: jellies, canned goods, pickles, etc. Song books, new toys and gifts. CASH: Playground equipment, equipment for teaching handicrafts; special teaching aids; folding chairs.

Sager Brown Home and Godman School, Baldwin, La.

Clothing for all ages.

People's Community Center, 2019 Simon Bolivar Ave., New Orleans, La.

(Conference project)

Craft materials for nursery school age; clothing for all ages. Books and games suitable for school age.

FOREIGN

MALAYA — Fairfield Girls' School, Singapore (Martha Fay White)	
Equipment for classrooms, 1 16MM sound projector.	
Books, Typewriter	\$ 500.00
KOREA — Relief and Rehabilitation	1000.00
INDIA — Puntamba District Work	800.00
(jeep for evangelist	\$2300.00

Rural Work

Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Houma, La., has been assigned to the W. S. G. for the South Central Jurisdiction, Special Project. This is being supported by the W. S. G. and no contribution is asked from the W.S.C.S., other than their prayers.

Agnes Brook, Rural Nurse at Dulac and MacDonell

CASH for dental and visual care and for tonsillectomies. Medical supplies: band-aids, merthiolate, cotton, adhesive tape, gauze, aspirin, castor oil, cod liver oil, vitamins, vaseline, Vicks salve, Ben-Gay, nose drops. **Business Girls' Inn, Shreveport, La.**

No contribution of money or supplies requested; but they have requested that you remember them in your prayers.

PLEASE NOTE THAT AGNES BROOKS, Rural Nurse, is included in the HOME ASKINGS.

We realize that the cash amount of \$1000.00 for Relief and Rehabilitation in Korea is a large asking, **BUT THE NEED IS GREAT.**

Martha Fay White, missionary at the Fairfield Girls' School, Singapore, Malaya, is from LeCompte, Louisiana. This is her first year in the field. Since we are all interested in her, let us make this year for her a memorable one by our contributions to her work.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Secretary

As I endeavor to make a report I am aware that there are weak spots and unmet needs, but the sum total of the year's record indicates that there has been progress made. I wish to report the following:

1. All Spiritual Life Secretaries sense the desire of their women for a deeper spiritual experience.
2. There has been an increase in the number of prayer groups.
3. The Week of Prayer observances showed good attendance and offerings.
4. The secretaries have sought to deepen their own spiritual life, and others by: Personal quiet time, prayer groups, Retreats, The Fellowship of Intercession, family worship, short worship services with the sick and shut-ins.
5. The Bible Studies have been well attended and a deep interest shown. As a result many Bible Classes have been organized for further study, and individuals are making daily study of the Bible.
6. There is a constant demand for more Spiritual Life Material.
7. Visitation has offered untold opportunities for aiding individuals and families in the spiritual life.
8. Some of the "extra ministries of the Spiritual Life Secretary include:
 - a. Bookshelves started or enlarged in local church by gifts from this group.
 - b. Devotional reading tables in individual homes encouraged.
 - c. Spiritual Life Material is placed in the churches, bus stations, railway stations and other public places.
 - d. Tape recording of the Sunday Services are taken to sick and shut-ins.
 - e. Dr. Ralph Cushman's Books on Faith and Prayer given to High School graduates.
 - f. The booklet "Power" sent to College students from local church.
 - g. The Upper Room sent to the boys in Service.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild prepare their hearts and minds for an effective program of evangelism by the practice of daily prayer and Bible study.

2. Continue to promote the use of the Prayer Calendar in the Wesleyan Service Guild and in the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

3. That members of both cooperate in the active phases of the Evangelistic Mission, such as the preparation of a prospect list and participation in personal visitation.

4. That the services of the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild be offered:

- a. To assist in the assimilation of new members into the life of the Church.
- b. To participate in the Spiritual Life Mission for the reclaiming of disinterested church members and for the deepening of the spiritual life of the Church.

5. That the Secretary of Spiritual Life cooperate actively in the work of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism, through her membership on that Commission.

6. That the Spiritual Life Secretary and her committee in the local Woman's Society of Christian Service, be encouraged, especially for the year of Evangelism, to organize prayer groups on a church-wide basis . . . including men, women and youth.

7. That the Methodist Woman be read for the circle worship services and other suggestions.

8. Continue to encourage the three suggested periods for daily prayer . . . 9:00 A.M., Noon and the Angelus Hour.

9. That shut-ins be made to feel that they are a vital part of this group by using the Prayer Calendar, sharing in prayer projects, etc.

STATUS OF WOMEN

Mrs. F. C. Haley, Secretary

Little by little the world grows strong,
Fighting the battles of right and wrong;
Little by little the wrong gives way;
Little by little the right has sway.

By our words and thoughts and deeds we today are adding our bit to the release of women the world over. Reports, comments, and interest reveal that the work of Status of Women is gaining in importance in our Conference even though the progress is little by little as far as figures go.

The number of local secretaries continues to increase. According to the last report from the Promotion Secretary, our Conference now has 268 secretaries of Status of Women.

Because our immediate task is to find the abilities of the local church women, the Service Activity Cards have been used by 68 societies with the results that 122 previously inactive women have found a place of service in the Woman's Society and the Church this year.

The most outstanding activity has been the National Citizens' Roll Call of Methodist Women, a cooperative project with the Christian Social Relations Secretary. Many local secretaries have reported 100% registration and voting in the National Election in November but a complete figure has not been received from the Conference.

Status of Women scrapbooks are providing an interesting activity for 49 societies. Clippings are made from Church and Woman's Society magazines, current newspapers, and various other periodicals.

Christian women are being suggested for positions of leadership in civic affairs. The total number reported this year are: 41 in community, 45 in parish, and 11 in state.

Many other activities will show the range and quality of the services of the Status of Women Secretary. Some are:

- Assisted in World Community Day Program
- Worked with Red Cross Blood Mobile
- Participated in United Funds Campaign
- Cooperated with Chamber of Commerce Community Projects
- Stuffed envelopes with T. B. Christmas Seals
- Assisted pastor and Evangelism Committee
- Sent telegrams and letters opposing pending liquor bills

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That every society in the Conference have an active secretary of Status of Women. When a society is too small to fill this position, the president shall keep her society informed in the activities of this office.

2. That each secretary of Status of Women secure and study the new Handbook on Status of Women as soon as it is off the press. (November was the date scheduled but it still has not been released.) 25c from Literature Headquarters.

3. That each secretary have a committee to work with her. The size of this committee depends upon the size of the society. The number suggested is from three to five members.

4. That a survey of all women church members be made on the Service Activity Cards. (You will need two sets of these Cards — one for the church office and one for the WSCS.)

5. That the National Roll Call of Methodist Women be continued in cooperation with the Christian Social Relations Secretary. Goal — every Methodist woman registered and voting.

6. That each secretary of Status of women be an active member of the Program Committee with these objectives in mind:

- a. The personal development of women, and
- b. The effective service of women through every available opportunity in Church and Community.

7. That at least one program be presented each year on Status of Women. Some suggestions for the presentation are:

- a. U. N. Day in October (materials from U. N.) — Status of Women Commission in U. N. or interesting information about women delegates at U. N.
- b. Report on Status of Women in U. S., 1952 from the Department of Labor in Washington.
- c. Reports of outstanding women today from current magazines or periodicals or of women of other days from any source (These do not have to be religious.)

8. That each society keep a scrapbook of women in the news. Effective posters may also be made. These should be displayed often before the society.

9. That the secretary of Status of Women serve as chairman of the nominating committee on the local and district level. If this is not advisable, the secretary should at least be on this committee.

10. That each Church have a Laywoman's Day comparable to Layman's Day.

11. That some community project be promoted or shared for the betterment of the status of women.

12. That Christian women be urged to accept civic and political offices in the community, parish, state, and nation.

13. That the election of women as delegates to the District, Annual, Jurisdiction, and General Conferences of the Church be stressed.

14. That the secretary of Status of Women seek to build a reserve of women leaders in her Church by:

- a. Cultivating the busy young mothers
- b. Cooperating with the Guild representative in interesting well qualified women for full time Christian service.
- c. Supplying special interests and readings for mothers beginning to have part of their time released.
- d. Finding places of service for the women who have almost full time for Church and community activities.

15. That Status of Women reports be sent to the District Secretary each quarter by the following dates: August 31, November 30, February 28, and May 31. District secretaries report to the Conference Secretary by September 10, December 10, March 10, and June 10.

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

Mrs. C. I. Jones, Secretary

A Christian Vocations Conference was held January 9, 10, and 11, 1953 at Centenary College, Shreveport. Mrs. Dorothy Bearden Heaner, who represented the Woman's Work, ably presented the Missionary, and was pleased with the response of the High School group. Mrs. Heaner asked that college students always be included in Christian Vocations Conferences, with separate Seminars for each group.

Dr. Charles Stokes, missionary from Korea, visited campuses, itinerating through the Conference interviewing students who were especially interested in foreign missions.

The Conference Missionary Personnel Committee met twice during the year. Miss Wanda Lee, a senior at Louisiana College, Pineville, was recommended to this committee by the Rev. Jolly Harper, District Superintendent, Alexandria. Wanda met the committee and expressed the desire to enter full time Deaconess work. Her application papers have been referred to the New York office.

Miss Polly Gemar, a senior at Louisiana State University hopes to enter the US-2 work, and Miss Leeper writes that Polly will probably be accepted before June 1.

I have also visited Miss Dorothy Douglas, who is studying at Scarritt College, Nashville. Dorothy was making plans for a second year at Scarritt in preparing to become a Director of Religious Education.

It is conceded by many authorities that the world missionary enterprise is the best plan for building peace for the world. Christ is calling to the Church to awaken the people to the fact that Christianity is a world power. Christ alone is adequate to save the world. The church needs sacrificial aggressiveness to win youth. We are counting on each local woman, and challenging her to the task of looking continually for potential leadership among our youth. Our responsibility is to stress point 5 in the quadrennial goals, especially "through cooperation with leaders of youth and students in developing an awareness that candidates for missionaries and deaconesses are to be found in our local church."

May our sincere prayer be "that Christ may be made known and that the Kingdom may be realized."

This is Anna Givens' last year in Japan as a J-3. Gretchen Elston, also a J-3, as well as Charlie Hampton, a J-3 have completed more than half their term. Gretchen's address is:

Kwassui Junior College, Nagasaki, Japan.

Charlie's address is:

124 Maita Machi, Yokohama, Japan

You will regret to learn that Miss Alexa McCain, who has been teaching in Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India, has been forced to return home on account of her health. She is with her mother in DeRidder at present.

May we labor joyfully to do our part in sending laborers into the many areas of our world where knowledge of Christ's life and message is little known and so greatly needed.

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

As the words "We Need Missionaries" are coming from every field, we recommend:

That the main emphasis in our conference shall be recruitment and enlistment of workers for both home and foreign fields.

We shall keep before us the specific calls of 1953 for three-year ventures of fellowship and service for:

Thirty new workers for Latin America which includes Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Mexico, Panama, Peru and Uruguay.

Twenty workers for Southeast Asia, which includes Burma, Sarawak in Borneo, Malaya and Sumatra of the new Indonesian Republic. Twenty-five workers in the Home Field to serve two years in the areas of need throughout the United States, and three years in Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Alaska.

That we shall stress full time service for missionaries and deaconesses whenever presenting the challenge of youth realizing its greater value both to the mission field and to the worker.

That we cooperate with the pastor in the local church in the organization of an active Committee on Christian Vocations which takes the place of the Missionary Personnel Committee, which has been withdrawn from the Woman's Society.

From Methodist Discipline #246-4:

"The Committee on Christian Vocations in the local church . . . shall be composed of the pastor (who calls the committee together for its first meeting), a layman, elected by the Quarterly Conference, a representative of the Woman's Society of Christian Service (either the secretary of youth or student work), the superintendent of the church school, and the superintendent of the Youth Division . . . It shall be the duty of this committee to see that the philosophy of Christian Vocation and the opportunities in church vocations are regularly presented to the youth and adults of the church."

Every vocation is needed in some field and there are special calls now for the following: teachers of English, Home Economics, Public School Music, Arts and Crafts, Chemistry; Doctors, Nurses, Laboratory Technicians, Dietitians, X-ray Technicians, and Occupation Therapists; Directors of Christian Education for Rural and Urban Churches, Workers for Social Centers; also, personnel for Business and Administrative Work.

That every Society use "Methodist Service Projects - 1953."

That we continue to keep youth supplied with the splendid Missionary Personnel leaflets and literature which are available from The Missionary Personnel Department, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York, The Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio, and from The Interboard Committee on Christian Vocations, P. O. Box 871, Nashville 2, Tenn.

That we pray more. Pray that God shall make us aware of seeking youth and that youth will respond to these urgent calls.

BUSINESS GIRLS' INN

Mrs. Mary E. Freeman, Head Resident

Anniversaries are interesting. There are some we like to remember, and some we like to forget. This month we will celebrate our fourth anniversary in our present home, and we like it.

The achievement of the Woman's Society of Shreveport, of Louisiana and of the church as a whole has been wonderful, and affords a lovely home for many girls. The girls proudly show off the home to their families and friends and especially their boy friends. Men often remark "Wish Shreveport had such a place as this for young men."

A few days ago a mother came with her daughter to arrange a place for her when she entered business school in June. After going over the house, she said "I do not see how anyone could want more, or a better place in which to stay." Again, when there is no vacancy, a mother will say "I'll just wait until my daughter can get a place there."

The home cares for fifty-two girls. Changes come frequently, because of marriage, change of position, or the desire to live in an apartment to get experience in housekeeping, but most of the time the house is filled. Girls from Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, Oregon and Louisiana reside here now. Because of the guest room, representative workers of the Conference and the Division have been entertained in the home on different occasions. "Deki", a Japanese student at Centenary College, spent the school holidays with us last Christmas. This was a wonderful opportunity for the girls to be associated with an Oriental.

The house is adequate for all the needs of the girls. Every girl must have a place to launder her clothes, so the large laundry room with automatic washing machines and irons meet the need.

Every girl likes to eat at meal times, between meals, and at bed time. The Kitchenette, fully equipped with refrigerators to store food, stove to cook on, table on which to serve, and sink to wash dishes, gives her every opportunity to satisfy her hunger. Are there girls who do not like to date? Scarcely a one. All like a quiet little place to themselves. No crowding, except on love seats in dating, but with the date room, living room, game room and patio, crowding does not occur too often.

To be away from home the first time and come down with flu, mumps or something else, one gets a lonely feeling. But when sickness comes the girls get real hospital care. Special food is prepared and served, medicine is bought and given if they do not have it. Every need is taken care of by the workers. Not long ago a mother visited her daughter who was a victim of flu. When she left she gave the worker a bill and said, "Please order some medicine, and see that she gets it through the night, and let me know how she feels tomorrow." In three days she was up and ready for work.

There is not too much planned for the social life of the girls. With four picture shows so near, square dancing at the YMCA and YWCA, skating and bowling near by, little else is needed. Special days give opportunity for diversion and joy. Holidays such as Hallowe'en, and Valentine lend color to the group. At our last Hallowe'en dinner, one girl expressed her appreciation and said, "I did not know anybody would go to this much trouble for us." Easter stands out for the worshipful morning

service on Good Friday. Thanksgiving for the lovely table, good food, warm fellowship. Christmas is a great time. An invited guest said last year, "Why, it looks like fairy land." The inside and the outside of the house is beautifully decorated. The Christmas dinner and party gives everyone a thrill. Many of the girls write back and speak of the lovely Christmas spent at the Inn. The beauty of Christ shines brightly for us.

But what does this mean in the lives of those who live here? It means that some high school girl came to a large city with this thought, "I'll go the way of the crowd. That's what I want," but the influence of our home little by little helped her to decide for better things, and today she is worthwhile to society and her church. It means that some young girl was interested only in self and material things, but one night she listened to a vesper talk and was different. It means a timid girl, handicapped in many ways, improved her personal appearance, her mind, and her relationship to God. Fearful she could never get into the business world, today she is employed by one of Shreveport's largest business firms, drawing a good salary. It means that some time one who knows it all will listen to words of experience and choose a better way of life. It means that those who are fine and good make a contribution here as they touch other lives and lend their influence toward making this a real Christian home. Working together with God brings surprises and rewards.

RURAL CHURCH AND COMMUNITY WORK IN LOUISIANA

Elizabeth Thompson Reports

This is the seventh year it has been my privilege to report to you--

Rural Church and Community Work has three emphases: (1) to undergird the church as it proclaims personal salvation and creates a Christian environment; (2) to stimulate an awareness and concern for all individuals; (3) to work with other agencies to create a community in its best sense. No individual may live abundantly in a disorganized environment. The church is, or should be, the most unifying force in the community.

It is encouraging to note a steady growth in the churches in the six districts visited this year. In varying capacities I have participated in church programs on local, district and conference and jurisdiction levels, especially outstanding were the Older Adult Camps, the Christian Vocations Conference, the Church School Superintendents Conference, the Louisiana Student Work Camp and the Town and Country Conference. The last two named were held at MacDonell as a part of its ever-enlarging leadership training program. Rural cash supplies sent children, youth, young and old adults to conferences and camps. This, too, is leadership training.

"Person-mindedness" across the year brings to memory many stimulating experiences. The two lovely Japanese students, our guests for a month, who created good will in rural communities; the Guild friend who did volunteer summer service and is now at Scarritt; the Christmas gift to the Indian mother who had received only one other gift in her life; the happy fellowship with the adult craft club at the Center; the delight of an older adult as she shares her after-camp experiences in her local church; the satisfaction of being able to interpret the woman's work to a young minister; the letters to guilds and societies across the United States in answer to their requests for personal contacts. These few impressions are only symbolic of the creed of a rural worker that everybody counts.

In order to establish meaningful religious programs for persons in rapidly changing situations it is necessary to understand how people learn and to know the techniques for building and rebuilding communities. Significant experiences at this point came to me through participation in a Graduate Workshop on Adult Work. Board of Education, Nashville, the Farm and Home Week at LSU, and a Leadership Institute of the Louisiana Conference of Social Welfare in Baton Rouge. The Town and Country Church Development Program, sponsored by Sears-Roebuck Foundation and administered by Emory University Town and Country School has been introduced in Louisiana. It is our hope that it will be a means of stimulation and recognition of outstanding rural church communities.

Many of the "rural" activities cut across the programs of other projects, especially MacDonell and Dulac. Because of our inter-relatedness, reports of MacDonell and Rural Work complement each other. Most of the "rural" programs would be impossible without the cooperation of Mrs. Thornton and her staff. Work along the bayous is carried on by Mrs. Maggie Bergeron, and Mrs. Velma Hebert is the helpful office secretary.

Those of us who are full-time workers join with you in local churches to serve that our world may be one. We must not neglect the responsibilities here at home, but neither must we stop there. "Whatever happens anywhere is a concern to us."

"The rural church must cherish the past; but her program must be directed to today's situation while her leadership is already planning for tomorrow's opportunities."

DULAC INDIAN MISSION

Bon jour! We certainly hope that the past year has been as happy and as prosperous for you as it has for our Mission. For us it has been a year of rapid growth and expansion. So many things have taken place that it is hard to realize that it has been just ONE year.

Objectives are always good to know. So let's see if we can find any for our work in Dulac. Let's begin with the school. Here it is our goal to provide in addition to the three R's a basic understanding of such things as living with others, keeping ourselves and our surroundings clean, keeping healthy, working and playing with others, sharing, having respect for truth and honesty, knowing how to best express ourselves, and having a reverence for God and a love for our fellow man. As a community center we have some additional objectives. One goal is to bring up the socio-economic level of the general community. Another is to educate the people to the need for cleanliness and sanitation at home and in the community as a whole. And a third is to have a place where wholesome recreation and other activities can be enjoyed — there is no other such place in the community.

But let's look now at what has been going on at the Mission for the past year. There have been a great many improvements in the physical plant. During our work camp last summer we painted the entire interior of the three school rooms. We also had asphalt tile put on the floors of the school rooms — a big help! Since then we have also renewed our outside porches which were rotting from the dampness. We have just converted from butane to natural gas, which ought to save quite a bit on the fuel bill. But one of the biggest additions to our plant is the clinic and living quarters for the nurse, Miss Brooks. This clinic, combined with the wonderful work of Miss Brooks has more than doubled the effectiveness of our work.

We are all very proud and happy over one thing which happened this past fall. One of our very promising young Methodist Indian girls. Marie Billiot, was accepted into Vashti School in Thomasville, Georgia. Vashti, a Woman's Division project, is one of the finest girls boarding schools in the country. Marie is extremely happy there, for she will be able to get the high school education which she is denied in this area. Marie is a fine Christian girl, and we know that she will do much for herself and her people because she has been given this wonderful opportunity. Anyone desiring to help Marie please contact the Turners for information.

Out of our vacation Bible school, which our work campers helped us with last summer, has grown a catechism class which we hold once a week for our Methodist school children. Here is something worth developing!

Twice this past year our school children have gone as a group to New Orleans. The first time was when we took them last May to see the zoo. Then at Thanksgiving the local Shriners took fifty of our school children to the Shrine Circus — absolutely free. What a treat!

Do you have trouble keeping up with birthdays? Well so did we, but now we have the problem solved. We celebrated everyone's birthday at the same time, on October 17, which was the twentieth anniversary of the school, started by Miss Wilhelmina in 1932. We had cake and presents and all sorts of fun. We'll have to do that again next fall, when the school "comes of age."

At Christmas we had a wonderful pageant in conjunction with the two other churches on our chart. Even Cecil B. couldn't top our production.

Now for a quick look at the future. We are working on our playground, getting it filled in and leveled off. We also are going to throw up a levee around it to keep out unwanted water from the high tides. To get rid of any accumulated rain water we shall install an automatic pump in one corner to drain the land. After the land is in shape we are planning to purchase some playground equipment such as swings, see-saws, a merry-go-round, a slide, etc. Later on this spring we are going to organize a new Board of Directors for the Dulac Indian Mission.

Now as we say good-bye for this time, we want to thank you for your continued help. We still need new and used clothing and several other things which you will hear about from your supply secretary soon. Through you God has certainly blessed our work here. May His richest blessings be with you always.

JAMES W. TURNER, Supt. and Teacher
MRS. RELTA MAE TURNER, Teacher
MISS WILHELMINA HOOPER, Teacher
MISS AGNES R. BROOKS, R.N., Nurse

MACDONELL METHODIST CENTER

Mrs. Nettie Thornton

A great many things have happened at MacDonell Methodist Center in the past year. Yet the happenings have not meant a change in our program but an intensifying and expanding of each phase of it.

For instance, the Indian School: Last fall our enrollment doubled and jumped from thirty some pupils the previous year to sixty this year. Because some of the parents of the Indian children went to the school and asked again and again for a school bus, public school officials provided one, which gave us a record enrollment of first graders — over twenty whose ages range from six to eleven. Instead of two teachers, we have three teachers for the seven grades. Each of our three housemothers also teaches in the Indian School.

MacDonell, which is home to children in the bayou area who come from broken homes, was re-licensed last summer by the State Department of Public Welfare, and they are now sending children to us. The first three they sent were Indian children — no other institution in the state will take them. Since the public school was reluctant to enroll them, they are attending school on the campus as well as living there. This is working out very well, all of our children living together happily.

We believe the children are happy, for one reason, because they are healthy. Last April we welcomed our nurse, Miss Agnes Brooks, who spends part of her time at MacDonell. Then, Dr. Adele Simmons, pediatrician from Thibodaux, examines the boys and girls quarterly, giving this service to us. This is a quotation from Dr. Simmons' letter following her January examinations:

"Generally speaking your children are, by far, in better health than any children picked at random from private homes or from my practice. The facilities for their care continue to be exceptionally good and supervision by the nurse is excellent."

We believe that our expanding farm program also contributes to the healthy bodies and happy spirits of the boys and girls. Rev. Squyres, who joined our staff in September, hopes to produce everything on the

farm to make our kitchen practically self-sustaining. Already, we supply our own milk, eggs, quite a few of the vegetables, chicken, beef and pork. The quantity of each should increase monthly, and our garden output should increase greatly this summer.

Miss Elizabeth Thompson will tell you about MacDonell and its rural out-reach, as well as about the groups who come to our campus for activities and conferences.

The summer program this year promises to be a busy one. A Work Camp has been scheduled for June, and two weeks of Junior Camp, our first such venture, have been scheduled for July.

My staff and I are happy to be a part of this work of service at MacDonell. It is a work which we know that we share with each of you, for your prayers and your gifts make it possible. We are grateful for this opportunity to say, through our work, "Thy Kingdom Come," and to know, once in awhile, that we are helping to advance His Kingdom here.

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

Miss Fae L. Daves, Head Resident

We bring you greetings from St. Mark's and we want to take this opportunity to thank you for the wonderful support you have given us during the past year. First, let us express our appreciation to all of you who have helped or are helping us pay for our "new bus." As many of you know we purchased a one ton panel truck and converted it into a small bus. It will hold many more children than the station wagon and it has already seen lots of service as we have been using it now for almost two months.

St. Mark's is in one of the depressed areas of the city. Walk out of the front entrance and look either to the right or to the left and a couple of taverns are in near view. Drunkenness, vice, and gambling are on every hand. The housing in our area is poor and homes are over-crowded; also there is inadequate play space.

Our individual membership during the year is between 500 and 600, and we are in touch with 225-250 families. We serve 20 nationality groups with Italian, Spanish and those of French descent constituting the largest group.

In our Day Care Center we furnish day care for some thirty children $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 whose mothers must work. Our program for children six to adults is one of recreation, group work and informal education. In the friendly atmosphere of our building, under the leadership of an understanding staff, people have an opportunity to plan, play and work together. Here they get a sense of belonging, of being wanted, of something that in a measure makes up for the lack of emotional and economic security so often found in their own homes. We have a varied program of clubs, interest groups, including crafts and drama, gym activities, Scouting for boys and girls, an athletic program, swimming, life saving classes and special programs throughout the year.

Last spring a group of teenagers enjoyed one weekend in camp. They were somewhat afraid of the experience as none of them had ever been away before. A few weeks ago when we were practicing for our Christmas Pageant, a group of the boys were sitting in the library with Miss Grisham and me. Something was said which started them thinking about this camp experience. I wish you could have seen their glowing faces as they recalled one incident after another. Afterwards Miss Grisham said, "You know that all of the boys in there were not at camp?" "Yes," I said "I thought not, but from observing them just now, I surely could not tell which were and which were not there." Whether they had been there or not all of the boys knew exactly what had happened and seemed as thrilled in talking about it as though they had actually had the experience themselves. Miss Grisham added, "You know that since that time I never had to ask one of those boys to get off the table or anything like that. Surely did a lot for them." Camping offers one of the most effective ways of working with people.

Our greatest need at present is for an enlarged camping program and for a camp site of our own. Last year 17 Girl Scouts with 3 leaders enjoyed four days at the Girl Scout Troop Camp, 14 teenagers with 4 leaders had one weekend at camp, 4 girls went to Kiwanis Camp, and 12 Boy Scouts had several weekend camping trips. This year we are hoping that 40 girls will be able to camp at least five or six days this summer at the Group Camp, La. State Park, and that we will have a weekend for teenagers in addition to some weekends for the Boy Scouts.

As most of you know our support at St. Mark's comes from the Woman's Division and from the New Orleans Community Chest. The Chest increased our appropriation last year and we are expecting an increase this year as our United Fund Drive went over the top. You good women of La. will never know how much that cash supply money you sent us during the past year helped. It paid for so many things we needed. We also appreciate the other things you sent. And last but not least we thank you for your prayers. It is wonderful to know that you stand behind us in every way, and we carry on with the assurance of this continued support.

PEOPLE'S COMMUNITY CENTER

Mrs. Pearl Turnbull

The first day of April, 1952, was a red letter day for the People's Methodist Community Center. Workers had begun demolishing the old building in August, 1951. So for eight months the doors of the Center were closed to await the construction and reopening of the new building. This reopening took place on April 1, 1952.

After having known the hardship, discomforts and disadvantages of working with the inadequate facilities of the old building, the new one was like a dream come true, the fulfillment of a long felt need.

We never seemed to have enough space in the old building to accommodate all who applied for admission. Every year many had to be turned away for lack of space. But now with our spacious, new building increasing numbers are being cared for in all departments.

Several new features have been added with opening of the new building. Among them is the Junior Age Club, for boys and girls, seven to twelve years of age. This department operates from four to six o'clock in the afternoons, Monday through Saturday. Supervised recreation, character training, Bible Study, music and speech are some of the activities provided for this group.

The Teen Age Club operates along the same line with longer hours -- four to nine o'clock. This group is also encouraged in the study of dramatics, poems and music. Qualified trained workers are in charge of these groups.

Then there is the Adult department, where opportunities are provided for sewing and cooking classes, singing, Bible study and social activities. This department also sponsors a Golden Age Club. The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority conducts interesting programs and entertainment for the oldsters which they thoroughly enjoy.

The health department, providing clinic care for babies, and the employment services were also resumed, with the opening of the new building.

The Day Nursery has taken on new life and vigor. About seventy children, most of them between the ages of two and four years are enrolled in this group. These children are given complete care and supervision, including three well balanced meals. This department operates daily, except Sundays, from 7:30 a. m. to 6:00 p. m., to serve working mothers.

From April to September only the Nursery Class, of the school department, went into action. The Kindergarten, first and second grades were added in September, when the regular school term began.

The Nursery Class, of which I have charge, is on a nine to three o'clock schedule, Monday through Friday, for twelve months of the year, with Vacation Bible School in June, Arts and Crafts in July, Music and Drama in August. In September, forty-five three and four year olds were enrolled in this class. Here the day is begun with a period of full play, which allows plenty of time for the late comers to arrive before the morning devotions begin. This time is devoted to religious training which is all too often neglected at home. Bible stories, appropriate hymns, prayers and memorizing special passages of scripture are here employed to give the children the awareness of God, as their Heavenly Father and for His Son Jesus as their friend and Savior.

The rest of the forenoon is given over to the following:

Music — At this time the children are taught folk songs, Nursery rhymes and other appropriate children's music.

Art — This activity gives the children an opportunity to use their hands and develops creative ability (crude though it may be) with the use of paper, crayons, scissors, old magazines, etc.

Language — Conversational periods, story telling and dramatizations are employed in providing language training and speech development as well as for enjoyment and entertainment.

Outdoor Supervised Play — Singing games, rings, competitive games and use of playground equipment (see-saws, merry-go-round and jungle gym) are splendid means of developing initiative, leadership ability, team work and a well rounded personality.

Constructive Play — Blocks, peg boards, modeling clay, puzzles, pictures to match, and toys are the materials used at this time.

At noon a nourishing lunch with a glass of milk is served each child, after which it is time for sleep and rest.

In planning and executing each activity we try at all times to keep in mind that healthy, happy, well adjusted child is the objective of the Nursery Class.

Please be assured that whenever we take time out to count our blessings and survey the benefits and opportunities offered to this under-privileged community by this institution, it is always with a deep sense of gratitude for the interested Christian friends, who do so much to make this work possible.

SAGER BROWN HOME AND GODMAN SCHOOL

Mrs. Evelyn Thomas, Superintendent

Greetings from Sager Brown Home and Godman School down on the Bayou Teche in Baldwin, Louisiana. Forty-four boys and girls call this home this year. They are between the ages of four and seventeen, coming from Kentucky, Ohio, Texas and Louisiana. We have nine families of children ranging from 2 to 6 in a family, totaling 29 who have brothers and sisters at Sager Brown.

We are endeavoring to give these children the love and security they deserve, as well as training in the three R's, and real experiences in Christian service. They assist with the chores in the dormitories, kitchen, dining hall, laundry, garden, hogs, chickens, etc. They are provided with wholesome recreation and are active in the local Methodist church, which adjoins the campus. A very close relationship exists between the church and the home.

We have four teachers at Godman School and an enrollment of 101. We have eight grades plus kindergarten class. We are finding a growing need for a kindergarten and proper equipment, also a teacher.

The activities for the past year include a joint Vacation Church School with the local Baptist church, an Enlarged Executive Meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service; annual Christmas tree and program of Godman School; Christmas Musical by the Methodist Youth Fellowship Choir; Leadership Training School on a District level. Besides the activities on the campus, we participated in others on all levels. Our young people participated in extra-curricular activities of the public school.

We are still making necessary improvements, replacements and repairs as far as funds will permit. Among the improvements for the past year are awnings, venetian blinds, hot water heater, gas fired burner for the heating system in the girl's dormitory, radiators in rooms where there were none, giving an even temperature all over the building. There were also repairs on the heating system in the Godman School; a new brooder house; a new building with a barber shop and beauty parlor on one side, and a laundry on the other, with 4 automatic Westinghouse washing machines, a dryer, an ironer, and hot water heater.

Despite the improvements mentioned above, there are still many urgent needs — our barber shop and beauty parlor have absolutely no equipment. We need 6 steel ironing boards, 6 Westinghouse irons, a work table, cabinet for supplies, and rubber mats. We also need a cook stove for the kitchen.

We can always use both new and good used clothing for boys and girls, size 4 to 17, dishtowels, unbleached or colored feed sacks, sewing supplies, yard goods, 1 dozen pairs of scissors, thread, bias tape, needles, medical supplies, school supplies, black boards and cash for non-breakable plastic dishes.

Thus, trying to do our part for Kingdom Building. Not with eye service, as men pleasers, but as servants to Christ doing the will of God from the heart, to bring about His Kingdom on earth.

LOUISIANA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Miss Annie Alford, Acting Director

There is always something thrilling about a new beginning — so many things to learn, so many possibilities and opportunities. This was altogether true of this writer at the opening of Louisiana Tech, 1952.

The personnel of Wesley House community and a college campus is quite different, yet, since Jesus came and brought love into the world, human nature is much the same the world over. Whether people are under-privileged, middle-class or "over privileged," they all respond to love and kindness. The work here offers a great challenge.

There has been an all-year enrollment of about 573 Methodist and Methodist preference students. Of these 71 have been commuters. Within this group, many of the girls bring their sandwiches in and we have the "Drive-in-Girls" luncheon together. One of the girls usually gives a short devotional, thus they are refreshed physically, mentally and spiritually. There are 126 town students, of which 55 are married and we have almost no touch on them and very little on the others. The contact with Drive-in Girls once a week, and others who wait for their bus here, is more frequent and closer, though the larger number of commuters we do not touch. We have had 158 we call active. The Wesley Foundation has touched and served 165 more in a casual way. It is painful to us that we do not know more of our Methodist students. True, many of them go to Grace and Trinity to church service who do not come to the Student Center.

The summer program of 1952 was very full and worth while. The student body was not so large and contacts closer. There were retreats and conferences for the students. It was my privilege to accompany twenty-five of them to the State Spring Conference, held at Lafayette, March, '53. This was a great inspiration to all.

The Student Council here is well organized and I have been pleased to note how seriously each member accepted his or her responsibility. The different worship chairmen have always tried to bring or arrange for a real spiritual program in the different services for which they were responsible. The Thursday Evening Vesper services have been most worthwhile and well attended — more than could crowd into our worship room. I have enjoyed working with the chairman of the Community Service as she planned and worked with the little boy of our Orphan's Home whom the Wesley Foundation sponsors.

In the field of missions, we were happy to have in our Center Dr. Charles Stokes, missionary from Korea, one afternoon and for the evening service. We were greatly helped and inspired by his description of the work and conditions in Korea. Our students contribute to two mission projects. The home is the Navajo Indian Mission School, the foreign is the International Christian University of Japan. Our Religious Emphasis Week on the campus was the best this year that has been held. A number of our students headed important committees.

Our students are great lovers of fun and recreation as well as the more serious part of life. A "huge" party was given in September for the Freshmen and others. Then there has been the football, basketball, softball and socials and parties all along through the school year, besides the every day indoor quiet games, the outside ping-pong and the homey parties in the kitchen of coffee and sandwiches, popping corn, making cookies, fudge, etc., all of which chases homesickness away.

It is a joy and a privilege to serve with the fine young people of Wesley Foundation. Three of these are licensed young preachers and two are serving near-by churches as supply pastors. Two of our young women plan to serve in a Louisiana Work Camp this summer. We all need your prayers.

NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE

Ann Adams, Director

WARMEST GREETINGS! from the Methodist students at Northwestern, the Methodist faculty and the Director. And we want to say "Thank you" for your part in making it possible for the Church and the Kingdom of God to be a reality on the campus.

Of the 219 Methodist students enrolled from your churches this year, 59 of them have been vitally affected by the Wesley Foundation, 148 are in casual contact, and the entire number has been reached by mail and telephone on numerous occasions.

The Wesley Foundation at Northwestern has taken very seriously the basic philosophy of the Methodist Student Movement, as stated by the Student Commission: "In today's confused and uncertain world we believe that Christians should transform rather than conform to the unchristian aspect of our culture, and we recognize that such transformation must begin with committed individuals and disciplined Christian groups."

On such a basis the Wesley Foundation Council, with the guidance of the Campus-Church Relations Committee and the Director, is building its program to include the areas of Personal Evangelism, Worship, Recreation, Social Action, World Christian Community, Inter-faith Cooperation and Churchmanship. We are finding expression for these interests and concerns through religious drama, creative publicity, editing our own Wesley Foundation paper, sending small deputation groups to nearby churches, and promoting missionary education and missionary projects.

The last emphasis has in large measure become the very heart of our work in the group. Our pledges to the Methodist Student Fellowship Fund have increased from \$100.00 to \$150.00, and another \$150 has been pledged to help support the Louisiana Summer Work Camp at MacDonell Mission, the World Student Service Fund, and a scholarship fund for a Korean student.

As a result of our having had Dr. Charles Stokes, Methodist Missionary to Korea, on our campus for two days, we are now sponsoring our own and three other fund raising campaigns to send Multi-Purpose Food to Korea. One of these is in cooperation with the Woman's Society in the First Methodist Church in Natchitoches.

We now have five students who are definitely choosing vocations within the church, and two of these plan to serve under the Woman's Division in foreign fields. Several will serve in Summer Work Camps, and one has been accepted to be a member of the Religious Drama Work Camp in Europe for the coming summer, under the auspices of the Methodist Student Movement.

There is much opportunity for counselling in the area of Christian vocations, as well as in the many problems that arise in the life of a college student. Our being housed in an interdenominational center with five other religious groups, offers not only knotty problems, but challenging opportunities for better interpreting and understanding the Ecumenical Church and for sharing in our common faith in Christ.

Again, we wish to express our appreciation to you for your prayers and your wonderful support. Wherever growth has come in individual Christian lives, and wherever we have been able to share the love of Jesus Christ with the campus and with a broken world, we lay it all at His feet, for the glory is His and not our own.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

Rev. Robert E. Parrott, Director

Greetings from the Methodist students and director at the Wesley Foundation of Southwestern Louisiana Institute. We welcome this opportunity to review our activities, and to share with you the vital experiences we have had this year.

A brief schedule of our weekly program gives an index to the tenor of activities at the Center. On Sunday there is a Fellowship Hour at 9:30 and Sunday School at 10:00. Supper is prepared by the students, and is served at 5:30, followed by the Fireside Hour at 6:00. Council meeting is scheduled for 6:30 on Monday night. Morning Devotions are conducted at 6:30 a. m. on Wednesday morning, and a Commuters' Luncheon is served at noon. Various committee meetings are usually in session on Wednesday night. Thursday night is reserved for the Student Centers by the administration of the college, and we utilize it for worship, recreation, and refreshments. Friday night is a general recreation night, and one on which we hold frequent parties.

What are the themes considered by a student group? This year, at Sunday School, we have had different studies: the background and history of the Bible, and the student and his relationship to the Church. At present we are beginning a series on "What the Bible Teaches," concerning the biblical doctrines of salvation, the Kingdom of God, sin, immortality, etc. Morning Devotions have this Spring been centered around the Lord's Prayer. Various themes have been used for worship, including Christian symbolism, the meaning of Lent, our moral standards, religious perspectives on college life, and others. At present we are engaged in a series on "Worship Through the Arts," using the resources of painting, modern music, the spiritual, drama, the interpretive, and poetry.

At The Fireside Hour the students have been challenged by speakers

on various topics. They have included a missionary from Brazil, a Mexican student, several S.L.I. faculty members (relating religious faith to their particular fields of interest), a sociologist on courtship and marriage, and a pathology expert on alcohol.

The student council functions regularly, and acts as a steering committee, with the director, for the work of the Wesley Foundation. Committee representatives include worship, social action, personnel, publications, house and grounds, and recreation. Officers have been elected for 1953-54, and are to be installed soon.

What are the special projects of the S.L.I. Wesley Foundation? The student group served as the host Protestant group for Religious Emphasis Week this year, February 22-26, when the Reverend R. E. L. Bearden, district superintendent of the Conway District, Conway, Arkansas, was the principal speaker. The theme was "God Is Love," and the consensus agreed that it was a most successful week.

We again acted as hosts to the Louisiana Methodist Student Movement Conference on March 13-15, at the First Methodist Church in Lafayette. Dr. James W. Workman, of Little Rock, Arkansas, was the main speaker. 175 students, plus directors and conference personnel, enjoyed the theme "What Do Ye More?"

Two retreats were held this year. The first, in the Fall, was for the Wesley Foundation members, with the Reverend Allen O. Jernigan of L.S.U. as the inspirational speaker. The second, in the Spring, was held in conjunction with the Presbyterian student group, and was centered around the theme "The Christian Student and the World Struggle." The Reverend Richard A. Braun, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Crowley, Louisiana, and the Reverend Robert C. Crichlow, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Jennings, Louisiana, were the discussion leaders. An exceptionally fine group of 45 students attended this joint retreat.

The Wesley Foundation has sponsored three programs for the First Methodist Church in Lafayette this year: a pageant on the Bible; a program in cooperation with the W.S.C.S. on the African study; and an Easter play, "The Terrible Meek," by Charles Rann Kennedy.

Our \$100.00 MSFF pledge has been paid; there are no other outstanding student debts. We have sponsored a "Kartons to Korea" drive, sending clothes to an American missionary for distribution. This project was given impetus by the visit of Dr. Charles D. Stokes, a relief and rehabilitation director in Korea. We have also essayed to help a needy Japanese pastor in relief work in Hiroshima, Japan.

Mrs. D. W. Poole served most capably from September until December of 1953 as director of the Foundation. In January, Rev. R. E. Parrott assumed his duties, coming directly from Perkins School of Theology at S.M.U., Dallas, Texas.

No written report could convey the warmth of student fellowship and worship that has been growing at the Methodist Student Center. Here is a fine group of students facing serious problems in one of the most unusual state college situations in the nations — and learning to find God.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW
BY-LAWS OF LOUISIANA CONFERENCE
WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Constitution and By-Laws for all Conference Societies will be found in the new Hand Book, and the Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

Article I

Elections

Section 1. Only women residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be elected as Conference officers.

Section 2. Officers shall be elected biennially for a term of four years, with the privilege of re-election for one additional term in the same office.

To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, the following shall be elected at the annual meeting the second year of the quadrennium: a president, a treasurer, a secretary of Student Work, a secretary of Youth Work, a secretary of Children's Work, a secretary of Status of Women, and a secretary of Missionary Personnel.

At the annual meeting the fourth year of the quadrennium the following officers shall be elected: a vice-president, a recording secretary, a Promotion secretary, a secretary of Missionary Education and Service, a secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, a secretary of Literature and Publications, a secretary of Supply Work, a secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation. Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

Section 3. (a) At the last annual meeting of the quadrennium the Conference Society shall elect six delegates to the Jurisdiction Society, all of whom shall be Conference officers. Three of these, including the president, shall be by office, the other three shall be elected by name.

(b) If and when vacancies occur in the offices designated during the quadrennium, the successor in office shall be considered the Conference representative. Vacancies among those elected by name shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

(c) Elections shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

Section 4. Delegates from the Conference Society to the quadrennial Assembly shall be the Conference president and one other Conference officer, elected by the Conference Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. Other representatives from the Conference shall be the Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild or her representative, and one delegate from each District, who shall be a District officer, elected by the District Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. The expenses of the District representatives to be paid by the Districts.

Article II

Vacancies

Section 1. When vacancies among Conference officers, or standing committees occur during the year they shall be filled by the Administrative Committee with ratification by the Executive Committee until the next regular election.

Section 2. When one half or more of the unexpired term of office in the Conference or District is filled, it shall constitute a full term of office.

Article III

Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Committee of the Conference shall be composed of the officers, the District Presidents, District secretaries of Promotion, District treasurers and such persons as the Conference society may determine. A majority shall constitute a quorum. Any member of the Woman's Division, and any Jurisdiction officers residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be members of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. There shall be an Administrative Committee composed of the president, who shall be chairman; the vice-president, the Promotion secretary, the treasurer and officers residing in the District involved in matters of administration. This committee shall have the power to serve as an ad interim committee.

Article IV

Funds

Section 1. All officers shall submit itemized expense accounts quarterly, and in as far as possible keep within the amount heretofore advanced: president \$25.00; vice-president, secretaries of Promotion, Missionary Education and Service, Student Work, Youth Work, Children's Work, and Missionary Personnel, \$12.50; treasurer \$10.00; Literature and Publications \$15.00. Itemized expense accounts may be submitted in advance of expenditures or afterwards.

Section 2. A sum not to exceed \$300.00 per year shall be allowed the secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities for the promotion of this department of work in the Conference.

Section 3. Fifty cents per member shall be set aside by the treasurer for a cultivation fund, membership to be based on enrollment as of May 1 of the preceding year. Expense of officers, speakers at Annual meetings, expense of Executive meetings, expenses of delegates to Jurisdiction Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, expense for promotional and educational work of the Conference shall be paid from this cultivation fund. All monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference work shall revert to the general fund.

Section 4. Each local society shall include in its budget for District Cultivation Fund, an amount equal to ten cents per member, to be remitted to the District treasurer.

Section 5. District treasurers shall set aside \$25.00 each year for the expenses of a delegate to the Assembly.

Article V

Districts

Section 1. Districts shall be divided into zones according to their size. A leader for each zone shall be appointed by the District President for a term of two years with the privilege of re-appointment for one additional term. The zone leaders shall hold not less than two meetings in their respective zones each year. A collection may be taken at each meeting. The leader may deduct any necessary expense of the meeting before remitting to the District treasurer.

Section 2. District officers shall be elected for a term of two years, with the privilege of re-election for one additional term in the same office, with the possible exception of the treasurer, whose term is limited to eight years.

To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, the offices shall be divided into two groups, with the election of one group each year. Group number one to be comprised of: a president, a treasurer,

secretaries of Student Work, Youth Work, Children's Work, Status of Women and Missionary Personnel. Group number two shall be composed of: a vice-president, a recording secretary, secretaries of Promotion, Missionary Education and Service, Literature and Publications, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Spiritual Life Cultivation and Supply Work. Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

Section 3. The District Executive Committee shall be composed of the District officers, the Conference and Jurisdiction officers and members of the Woman's Division residing in the District.

Article VI

Standing Committees

Section 1. There shall be a Standing Committee on Spiritual Life whose endeavor shall be to quicken the spiritual life of all Methodist women by helping them to deepen their prayer life and to increase their sense of responsibility for personal service and giving.

The committee shall keep in touch with the spiritual movement of the times and by prayerful research develop a clearer appreciation of the meaning of Christian living. It shall promote Christian stewardship, informal studies and the use of the Bible and other devotional materials. The committee shall devise definite means of permeating the local church with a spiritual power that should lead to deeper consecration and to more active service.

Section 2. There shall be a Standing Committee on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, which may include District secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities or other specially trained leaders in the field of social action, including the Wesleyan Service Guild members, and members of the department of Christian Social Relations and local Church Activities of the Woman's Division residing within the Conference. This committee shall make recommendations to the Conference Society concerning the work of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities in accord with the lines of work outlined by the Division and Jurisdiction.

Section 3. There shall be a Standing Committee on Study and Action, composed of the secretaries of Missionary Education and Service, of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, of the Wesleyan Service Guild and of Spiritual Life Cultivation.

It shall be the duty of this committee to consider all plans and recommendations referred to the Conference by the Jurisdiction Committee on Summer Schools and Conferences; to make recommendations concerning the use of approved study courses, joint study courses and cooperative courses. It may recommend also special informal studies in line with major needs. This committee shall develop a correlated program of education and action for the year and make recommendations concerning the same to the Conference Society.

Section 4. There shall be a Standing Committee on Finance. This committee shall be composed of the treasurer of the Conference, as chairman; the president, the secretary of Promotion, the secretary of Missionary Education and Service, the secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, the treasurers of the districts and a limited number of other women appointed at the annual meeting of the Conference Society.

This committee shall meet at least semi-annually, and on call of the chairman. It shall study the strength of the society in the local churches, and the pledges made; become informed of Conference income and disbursements, local financial possibilities and problems; and assist by counsel in the forming of the Conference pledge and budget.

Section 5. There shall be a Standing Committee on Status of Women. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the status of

women in the local church, the community, the state, the nation and in other lands. This study shall include the bases of Woman's place and the questions that affect her place in society and in the church. The committee shall make recommendations to the Conference Society for the promotion of such lines of activities as will improve her status and enable her to serve effectively.

Section 6. There shall be a Standing Committee on Missionary Personnel, composed of the Conference secretary of Missionary Personnel, who shall be chairman, the Conference president, the Promotion secretary, the secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, the secretary of Student Work, the secretary of Youth Work, and the women members of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and of the Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division residing within the Conference. Others with experience in personnel work may be co-opted.

This committee shall work in cooperation with the committee on Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division. It shall search for consecrated young women of training and experience who may be available for Christian service; it shall interpret the standards of candidates for the types of service needed; it shall explain to prospective candidates the procedure in making applications to the Board; it shall recommend to the personnel secretary of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Board the names of such persons who in the judgment of the committee shall be considered as prospective candidates; it shall cooperate in making plans for visitation within the Conference in the interest of personnel work. The committee shall send an annual report of its activities to the secretary of Missionary Personnel of the Jurisdiction.

Section 7. There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any over-lapping, conflicting or unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use in the annual report, a copy of the By-Laws adopted by the Conference, of the Standing Rules and Rules of Order. The chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There shall be a Deaconess Advisory Committee in each District where a deaconess is employed, with the following personnel: the District president, who shall be the chairman; the District superintendent, Conference officers within the District, the pastor in charge of the local church, and the president of each society in the charge in which the work is undertaken. The committee shall meet semi-annually, at which time the worker employed by the Conference shall make a report. Written reports shall be made monthly to the District Promotion secretary, Conference president, and the Conference Promotion secretary.

(b) The District Advisory Committee shall recommend to the Executive Committee of the Conference the advisability of continuing each worker in the District.

(c) During the time that the work of the Rural Deaconess is co-ordinated with the work of the Annual Conference Board of Christian Education, she shall report quarterly to the Conference president, the Conference treasurer and the Executive secretary of the Board of Education. This committee shall direct her work.

Section 9. There shall be a Research Committee consisting of the District secretaries of Promotion, Conference secretary of Status of Women, with a chairman elected by the Executive Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to search for specially qualified women in the Conference who may serve as officers and chairmen of standing committees. It shall report its findings when called for, to the Conference Society.

Section 10. There shall be a committee on Schools of Missions and Christian Service, with a chairman elected annually. This committee shall be composed of the Conference secretaries of Missionary Education and Service, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Promotion,

Spiritual Life Cultivation, Literature and Publications, the vice-president and the Wesleyan Service Guild, and such other members as may be authorized by the Executive Committee. This committee shall plan and promote a Conference School of Missions and Christian Service which shall give emphasis to the world mission of the Christian Church through the integrated program of missionary education, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life Cultivation and Program Building, and which shall train leadership for the promotion of the total program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Section 11. There shall be a Standing Committee on Annual Report composed of the Recording secretary, who shall be the chairman, the president, the treasurer, the secretary of Promotion and the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. It shall be the duty of this committee to edit and publish the Annual Report of the Conference.

Section 12. There shall be a Standing Committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild composed of the Conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, as chairman, the Guild secretary from each District in the Conference, and four representatives from the Woman's Society of Christian Service within the Conference, two of whom shall be the Conference Promotion secretary and the Conference treasurer; the other two to be elected by the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, and such additional members as the work demands.

It shall be the duty of the Guild Committee to assist the Conference secretary of the Guild in the promotion of Guild work in the Conference.

Article VII Amendments

Section 1. All proposed changes to the by-laws shall be sent to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws thirty days before the annual meeting of the Conference, and typed copies shall be made for distribution to the delegates.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE.

1. All communications from Conference officers, such as circulars, letters, literature, etc., that go to the corresponding officers of the District or local society, the Conference officers is expected to provide postage for same.

2. A Committee on Journal shall be appointed to approve the minutes of the Conference session. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the president and the recording secretary.

3. Standing committees shall meet for organization before leaving the seat of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum. Expenses for an annual meeting of each standing committee shall be allowed.

4. There shall be a District committee to visit home institutions within the bounds of the District, composed of the District treasurer, and the District secretary of Supply Work.

5. A typist shall be supplied at the annual meeting for the typing of committee reports, expense of same to be paid by the Conference.

6. A half-hour of each forenoon during the annual meeting of Conference shall be devoted to worship.

7. Each District Seminar collection, after local expenses are paid, shall be turned over to the Conference secretary of Missionary Education and Service for Seminar Cultivation.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Each meeting shall open and close with a religious service.
2. All resolutions shall be presented in writing and signed by two members.
3. Courtesies shall be limited to ten minutes before the noon devotional service.

STANDING RULES FOR LOCAL SOCIETIES

1. No new society can be reported until a quarterly report has been sent to the District treasurer and the Promotion secretary.
2. In order that the society entertaining the annual conference may not be deprived of the benefits of the meeting, meals shall be served by an outside agency.
3. In case any society is not sending a member as delegate to the annual conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, that society may elect its zone leader to serve in that capacity, and may also assist in paying her expenses.
4. One-fourth of the membership of the society shall constitute a quorum for the election of officers.
5. The president of the society shall be responsible for the calling of an Executive meeting the last of each quarter, at which time, the reports should be made out and mailed to District Officers.
6. The treasurer of each local society shall send a copy of the total budget to the District treasurer not later than July 15.
7. The Promotion secretary in each local society shall send the Memorial Roll to the Promotion secretary of the District not later than March 10.
8. Societies having the Circle plan of organization shall shift the membership of circles at least every two years.
9. Representation at annual meetings of the Conference shall be one delegate for each hundred members or major fraction thereof. Each society however small will have one delegate.
10. The hostess society for the annual meeting shall provide homes for the Conference Executive Committee, and the delegates from societies with 20 members or less. Hotel accommodations shall be arranged for delegates from societies with more than 20 members, the expense to be paid by their society.
11. Thirty days before the annual meeting the Conference recording secretary shall send to the president of each society in the Conference registration cards, which she shall fill in the names of the delegates, and with check covering meals, and mail immediately to the chairman of Registration in the society entertaining the Conference.
12. A report presenting all resolutions and plans adopted should be made by the delegate or delegates at the first meeting of the society after the Conference.
13. All monies remaining in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year, except those designated for local work, shall be sent to the District treasurer to be channeled by her to the Conference treasurer.
14. All appeals for funds outside the institutions and agencies of the Woman's Division shall be referred to the committee on Finance before being presented to the Society.
15. In view of the fact that letters have been received from certain business concerns asking the Woman's Division to endorse and promote through its channels their plans to help local Societies of Christian Service to make profits by selling their products, we urge a strong statement be sent in reply, refusing such endorsement.
16. Since the Woman's Society of Christian Service has a definite responsibility for the support of the program of the Woman's Division, the Louisiana Conference wishes to point out that it is not the responsibility of the Woman's Society officers at the Conference or District level to seek contributions from Woman's Society's treasuries for the support of projects which are the responsibility of the Annual Conference or the District of the church.

LOCAL SOCIETY PRÉSIDENTS

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. C. C. Dethloff, 1321 Williams St.; Natchitoches, La.

Church	Name	Address
Natchitoches, First Church	Mrs. H. H. Turpin	341 Jefferson, Natchitoches, La.
Faith Church	Mrs. J. W. Fuller	219 Sidney, Natchitoches, La.
Oak Grove	Mrs. Otis Wilkerson	1115 Magnolia, Natchitoches, La.
Jena	Mrs. E. L. Miller	Jena, La.
Robeline	Mrs. Ruby Idom	Robeline, La.
Trout	Mrs. C. F. Kinard	Goodpine, La.
Urania	Mrs. Hebert May	Urania, La.
Winnfield	Mrs. Willie Gaar	Winnfield, La.

Zone II Leader: Mrs. T. L. McNeely, Colfax, La.

Ball	Mrs. C. W. Robertson	Rt. 2, Box 725, Pineville, La.
Boyce	Mrs. A. M. Dean	Royce, La.
Colfax	Mrs. Roy Rachal	Rt. 3, Colfax, La.
Dry Prong	Mrs. C. O. Curl	Dry Prong, La.
Effie-Oak Grove	Mrs. G. C. Clark	Vick, La.
Montgomery	Mrs. W. C. Byrd	Montgomery, La.
Mt. Zion	Mrs. I. C. Cordovier	Montgomery, La.
Palestine	Mrs. May Goff	Box 150, Tioga, La.
Pineville	Mrs. R. A. Randow	4 Hartsfield Rd., Pineville, La.
Pollock	Miss Mollye Stewart	Pollock, La.

Zone III Leader: Mrs. G. G. Wisenbaker, Elizabeth, Louisiana

Alexandria: First Church	Mrs. S. C. Griffith	1439 Horse Shoe Dr. Alexandria, La.
Trinity	Mrs. Ray E. McIntosh	303 Rosewood Dr., Alexandria, La.
Wesley	Mrs. Roy Waitz	Rt. 21, Alexandria, La.
Elizabeth	Mrs. B. A. Mahon	Elizabeth, La.
Fellowship	Mrs. A. Z. Hoyer	Hinestown, La.
Glenmora	Mrs. R. H. Andrews	Longleaf, La.
LeCompte	Mrs. J. I. Roby	LeCompte, La.

Melder.....Mrs. Mary Alexander.....Elmer, La.
Oakdale.....Mrs. Hayes Stanley.....Oakdale, La.

Zone IV Leader: Mrs. John S. Dowling, Box 389, Opelousas, Louisiana

Haas Memorial.....Mrs. Philip Stanley.....508 Rose, Bunkie, La.
Evergreen.....Mrs. Y. A. Mounger.....Evergreen, La.
Krotz Springs.....Mrs. Willie Moreau.....Krotz Springs, La.
Marksville.....Mrs. Gladney Couvillion.....Marksville, La.
Melville.....Mrs. Richard Satterley.....Evergreen, La.
Opelousas.....Mrs. Algy Rose.....356 W. Vine St., Opelousas, La.
Palmetto.....Mrs. C. A. Stuart.....Rt. 1, Washington, La.
Port Barre.....Mrs. John Dunbar.....Port Barre, La.
Simmsport.....Mrs. S. J. Lindsey.....Lettsworth, La.
Ville Platte.....Mrs. M. O. Mallory.....Rt. 1, Box 510, Ville Platte, La.
White's Chapel.....Mrs. E. J. Campbell.....Rt. 3, Bunkie, La.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Church	President	Address
Amite.....	Mrs. Welton Brumfield.....	Amite, La.
Angie.....	Mrs. J. W. Scarborough.....	Angie, La.
Baker.....	Mrs. Winston McVea.....	Zachery, La.
Baton Rouge: First Church	Mrs. C. B. McGowan.....	2081 Ferndale, Baton Rouge, La.
Ingleside.....	Mrs. H. A. Sheppard.....	Rt. 1, Box 197, Baker, La.
Istrouma.....	Mrs. H. H. Northouse.....	2465 Pimpernel St., Baton Rouge, La.
North Baton Rouge.....	Mrs. W. C. Hunter.....	4434 Baton Rouge Ave., Baton Rouge, La.
W. B. Reilly Memorial	Mrs. L. W. Eaton.....	2466 June St., Baton Rouge, La.
Winbourne Avenue	Mrs. Brinsfield King.....	4045 Winbourne Ave., Baton Rouge, La.
Bethel.....	Mrs. A. L. Rcanes.....	Pride, La.
Blackwater.....	Mrs. V. R. Watts.....	Rt. 4, Baton Rouge, La.
Bogalusa, Elizabeth Sullivan Mem.	Mrs. J. L. Kellum.....	1107 Louisiana Ave., Bogalusa, La.
Carpenter's Chapel.....	Mrs. F. F. Parker.....	Hobart, Louisiana
Clinton.....	Mrs. D. C. Cameron.....	Clinton, La.
Concord-New Hope.....	Mrs. Ivy Hood.....	Spillman, La.
Cooper's Chapel.....	Mrs. E. V. Hano.....	Loranger, La.

Deerford.....	Mrs. Hattie Mae Decker.....	Deerford, La.
Denham Springs.....	Mrs. Bettye Waldrop.....	Denham Springs, La.
Ethel.....	Mrs. Leslie Moody.....	Ethel, La.
Faithful.....	Mrs. W. T. Williams.....	Rt. 2, Gonzales, La.
Fisher.....	Mrs. Dorman Stafford.....	Franklinton, La.
Franklinton.....	Mrs. John P. Richardson.....	P. O. Box 234, Franklinton, La.
Greensburg.....	Mrs. Clyde S. Holland.....	Greensburg, La.
Hammond.....	Mrs. J. A. Sims.....	1319 Elm St., Hammond, La.
Huff's Chapel.....		
Jackson.....	Mrs. T. D. Dawson.....	Jackson, La.
Kentwood.....	Mrs. A. T. Cummings.....	Kentwood, La.
Lee's Landing.....	Mrs. Corrine Raiford.....	Rt. 1, Ponchatoula, La.
Live Oak.....	Mrs. Tom W. Ott.....	Watson, La.
Loranger.....	Mrs. E. V. Hano.....	Loranger, La.
Lottie.....	Mrs. E. T. Keowan.....	Lottie, La.
Magnolia.....	Mrs. L. W. Taylor.....	Greenwell Springs, La.
Mangum Chapel.....	Mrs. Lula Wesley.....	Corbin, La.
Meadow's Chapel.....	Mrs. A. Johnson.....	Corbin, La.
Montpelier.....	Mrs. Clyde McDaniel.....	Montpelier, La.
Mt. Hermon.....	Mrs. Preston Varnado.....	Mt. Hermon, La.
New River.....	Mrs. R. L. Armstrong.....	Sorrento, La.
New Roads.....	Mrs. C. A. Alexis.....	Rougon, La.
Pine Grove.....	Mrs. Bettye Jo Dykes.....	Pine Grove, La.
Pine Ridge.....		
Plaquemine.....	Mrs. Chas. Schwimg.....	Box 547, Plaquemine, La.
Ponchatoula.....	Mrs. J. H. Drott.....	Box 152, Ponchatoula, La.
Rosedale.....	Mrs. George Booksh.....	Grosse Tete, La.
St. Francisville.....	Mrs. L. O. Bickham.....	Star Hill, La.
Slaughter.....	Mrs. Lydia Corcoran.....	Slaughter, La.
Springfield.....	Mrs. H. O. Pardue.....	Springfield, La.
Tangipahoa.....	Mrs. Geo. A. Pike.....	Tangipahoa, La.
Tickfaw.....	Mrs. Lucille Nesom.....	Tickfaw, La.
Varnado.....	Mrs. Alcus Fornea.....	Varnado, La.
Walker.....	Mrs. Bill Wise.....	Greenwell Springs, La.
Wesley Chapel.....	Mrs. Joe Hoover.....	Rt. 1, Ponchatoula, La.
Zachery.....	Mrs. R. O. McCrane.....	Zachery, La.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. E. C. Box, 218 Rouss St., DeRidder, La.

President

	Church	Address
DeQuincy	Mrs. H. L. Smith	P. O. Box 848, DeQuincy, La.
DeRidder	Mrs. A. D. Hulett	Bon Ami Rd., DeRidder, La.
Leesville	Mrs. A. L. Temple	601 First St., Leesville, La.
Merryville	Mrs. Brady Crow	Merryville, La.
Prospect	Mrs. G. C. Lee	Florien, La.
Wesley	Mrs. Ida Belle Hassell	DeRidder, La.

District Members:

Holly Grove	Mrs. Ruth Guy	Anacoco, La.
Pine Grove	Mrs. Louis Talbot, Jr.	Rt. 2, Pitkin, La.

Zone II Leader: Mrs. O. B. Jordan, 1711 Sixth St., Lake Charles, La.

Lake Charles	Mrs. R. M. France	924 Tenth St., Lake Charles, La.
Maplewood	Mrs. J. W. Lowery	102 East Beech St., Maplewood, La.
Niblett's Bluff	Mrs. Frank Bujard	Rt. 1, Box 47-B, Vinton, La.
Oak Park	Mrs. George Pittman	2004 Rose St., Lake Charles, La.
Simpson	Mrs. Don Collette	729 Iris St., Lake Charles, La.
Sulphur	Mrs. P. G. Verduzco	322 Pecan St., Sulphur, La.
University	Mrs. Fred Knispel	2915 Common St., Lake Charles, La.
Vinton	Mrs. J. M. Byrd	Vinton, La.
Westlake	Mrs. Frank Simpson	Westlake, La.

District Members:

Cameron	Mrs. Frank Welsh	Cameron, La.
Grand Cheniere	Mrs. Lee Nunez	Grand Cheniere, La.
Hackberry	Mrs. I. F. Bourg	Hackberry, La.
Hayes	Mrs. Ed Gibbs	Hayes, La.
Sweetlake	Mrs. Placide Chesson	Rt. 1, Box 82, Bell City, La.
	Mrs. Shirley Ellender	Rt. 1, Box 139, Bell City, La.
	Mrs. Charles Hebert	Rt. 1, Box 75, Bell City, La.

Zone III Leader: Mrs. G. K. Sutton, 511 N. Eastern Ave., Crowley, La.

Basile	Mrs. Charles Bollich	Basile, La.
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Crowley	Mrs. A. E. Stanton	316 N. Ave. L, Crowley, La.
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Eunice	Mrs. R. O. Harris	Box 868, Eunice, La.
Gueydan	Mrs. A. T. Hair	Wright, La.
Iowa	Mrs. W. F. Chapman	Iowa, La.
Jennings	Mrs. W. L. Vincent	610 Plaquemine St., Jennings, La.
Kinder	Mrs. Homer Perry	Kinder, La.
Lake Arthur	Mrs. Jack Williams	Lake Arthur, La.
Maxie	Mrs. E. E. Anding	RFD, Rayne, La.
Raymond	Mrs. Earl Brown	Rt. 1, Box 68, Elton, La.
Welsh	Mrs. Harry B. Kyle	Welsh, La.
Wesley	Mrs. Sylvan Ford	Rt. 2, Box 150, Crowley, La.

District Members:

Oberlin	Mrs. A. M. Moore	Oberlin, La.
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Zone IV Leader:

Abbeville	Mrs. Stanley Pearson	Abbeville, La.
Church Point	Mrs. Walter A. Wilson	Box 78, Church Point, La.
Lafayette: First	Mrs. Elroi Girard	703 Lee Ave., Lafayette, La.
Davidson Memorial	Mrs. J. L. Love	710 Jefferson Blvd., Lafayette, La.
Ebenezer	Mrs. Elmer Jeffers	Rt. 1, Crowley, La.
Indian Bayou	Mrs. Richmond Perry	Rt. 1, Box 330, Maurice, La.
Kaplan	Miss Thyra Montgomery	302 W. Fourth St., Kaplan, La.
New Iberia	Mrs. A. L. LeMaure	20 Arpent Rd., New Iberia, La.
Rayne	Mrs. H. A. McDonald	501 N. Parkerson, Rayne, La.

District Members:

Branch	Mrs. Charles Bruner	Branch, La.
Bayou Chene	Mrs. Clyde Verret	Bayou Chene, La.
Iota	Mrs. G. D. Hayes	Iota, La.
Lydia	Mrs. Alphonse Lancon	Rt. 2, New Iberia, La.
Pecan Island	Mrs. Benjamin Bertrand	Pecan Island, La.
Weeks Island	Mrs. Willie A. Moore	Weeks, La.

MONROE DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. M. D. Felder, 2900 Gordon Ave., Monroe, La.

Church	President	Address
Brownville.....	Mrs. G. B. Wilson.....	701 Montgomery Ave., West Monroe, La.
Claborne.....	Mrs. W. L. Whittington.....	Rt. 1, West Monroe, La.
Crew Lake-Start.....	Mrs. Sally Griffin.....	P. O. Box 721, Rayville, La.
Fairbanks.....	Mrs. Ernest Dupries.....	Fairbanks, La.
Luna.....	Mrs. J. L. Wright.....	Rt. 3, Box 186, West Monroe, La.
McGuire.....	Mrs. Carey J. Cheeks.....	301 Splane Dr., West Monroe, La.
Monroe: First Church.....	Mrs. A. E. Allen.....	P. O. Box 1247, Monioe, La.
Gordon Ave.....	Mrs. Harold Hunt.....	2314 S. Grand Ave., Monroe, La.
Memorial.....	Mrs. Wade A. Cotton.....	401 DeSiard St. Monroe, La.
St. Paul's.....	Mrs. Gene Demmery.....	1700 N. Second St., Monroe, La.
Stone Ave.....	Mrs. Ira Waldrup.....	3406 Richmond St., Monroe, La.
South Side.....	Mrs. W. O. Danzey.....	711 Plum St., Monroe, La.
West Monroe.....	Mrs. E. L. Page.....	702 S. Second St., West Monroe, La.
Sterlington.....	Mrs. L. B. Gannaway.....	Box 57, Sterlington, La.

Zone II Leader: Mrs. A. H. Harper, Collinston, La.

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Bastrop.....	Mrs. Fred Morgan.....	867 Clara St., Bastrop, La.
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Bonne Idee.....	Mrs. William Cox, Sr.....	Rt. 1, Mer Rouge, La.
Collinston.....	Mrs. A. J. Tarver.....	Collinston, La.
Jones.....	Mrs. George Slocum.....	Jones, La.
Mer Rouge.....	Mrs. R. C. Windsor.....	Mer Rouge, La.
Oak Ridge.....	Mrs. H. J. Norris.....	Oak Ridge, La.

Zone III Leader: Mrs. W. H. Bengtson, Winnsboro, La.

Buckner.....	Mrs. C. N. Hatch.....	Rt. 3, Rayville, La.
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Crowville.....	Mrs. C. W. Hair.....	Crowville, La.
Doucere.....	Mrs. I. U. Douciere.....	Rt. 3, Rayville, La.
Gilbert.....	Mrs. Eva Holcomb.....	Gilbert, La.
Little Creek.....	Mrs. Benton Barmore.....	Rt. 1, Rayville, La.
Mangham.....	Mrs. Ruth Jones.....	Mangham, La.
Rayville.....	Mrs. E. B. Emmerich.....	P. O. Box 94, Rayville, La.
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Wisner.....	Mrs. J. Floyd King.....	Wisner, La.
Winnsboro.....	Mrs. E. C. Ellzey.....	1605 Moore, Winnsboro, La

Zone IV Leader: Mrs. Neal Gilly, Delhi, Louisiana

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Epps.....	Mrs. T. Y. Wall.....	Epps, La.
Goodwill.....	Mrs. Ellis Jeffcoat.....	Rt. 3, Oak Grove, La.
Holly Ridge.....	Miss Marjorie Holloway.....	Holly Ridge, La.
Lake Providence.....	Mrs. L. W. Baker.....	Lake Providence, La.
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. J. Vernon Sims.....	Oak Grove, La.
Tallulah.....	Mrs. W. B. Williams.....	302 Grand St., Tallulah, La.

Zone V Leader: Mrs. E. C. Schiele, Sr., Vidalia, Louisiana

Ferriday.....	Mrs. Gene Rogillio.....	Ferriday, La.
Harrisonburg.....	Miss Hazel Crawford.....	Harrisonburg, La.
Ionesville.....	Mrs. H. Uttinger.....	Ionesville, La.
St. Joseph.....	Mrs. Clyde Ratcliff.....	St. Joseph, La.
Vidalia.....	Mrs. Fred Falkenhainer.....	Vidalia, La.
Waterproof.....	Mrs. W. W. Halbert.....	Rt. 3, St. Joseph, La.
Wesley Chapel.....	Mrs. B. W. Berry.....	St. Joseph, La.

Zone VI Leader: Mrs. J. J. McKeithen, Sr., Rt. 2, Columbia, Louisiana

Columbia.....	Miss Adele Redditt.....	Columbia, La.
Columbia Heights.....	Mrs. Fannie Ray.....	Columbia, La.
Crayson.....	Mrs. J. J. McKeithen, Sr.....	Rt. 2, Columbia, La.
Kelly.....	Mrs. Annie Mae Girod.....	Kelly, La.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

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Church	President	Address
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Dulac	Mrs. Agnes Mathernie	Rt. 2, Box 32, Houma, La.
Franklin	Mrs. Merlin Keeneze	Box 226, Franklin, La.
Houma	Mrs. D. W. Rhea	416 Sunset, Houma, La.
Houma Heights	Mrs. M. A. Porche	852 Gum St., Houma, La.
Morgan City	Mrs. R. C. Hammond	410 Union St., Morgan City, La.
Paradis	Mrs. Ernest Theriot	Des Allemands, La.
Thibodaux	Mrs. Gilbert Beasley	533 McCulla St., Thibodaux, La.

Zone II: Mrs. T. E. Brunning, Leader

Covington	Mrs. Martha Overby	909 25th Ave., Covington, La.
Pearl River	Mrs. George Zeehenelly	Pearl River, La.
Slidell	Mrs. F. M. Pearce, Sr.	2545 Wm. Tell, Slidell, La.
Waldheim	Mrs. Vera Heath	Waldheim, La.

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Aldersgate	Mrs. Peter Onafry	4721 Marais, New Orleans, La.
Algiers	Mrs. J. U. Melancon	Rt. 1, Box 19A, New Orleans 14, La.
Buras	Mrs. John Edgecombe	Triumph, La.
Canal Street	Mrs. L. C. Friedrich	3925 Baudin St., New Orleans, La.
Carrollton Ave.	Mrs. G. F. Counce	1717 Carrollton Ave., New Orleans, La.
Church of Redcemer	Mrs. Philip Palotta	611 Esplanade St., New Orleans, La.
Eighth Street	Mrs. J. Goeddertz	909 S. Cortez St., New Orleans 15, La.
Elysian Fields	Mrs. David Body	3334 Marigny St., New Orleans, La.
Felicity	Mrs. W. A. Tindell, Sr.	2621 Marengo St., New Orleans, La.
First Church, N.O.	Mrs. Sarah Selby	3610 Live Oak St., New Orleans, La.
Gentilly	Mrs. Arthur Bech	4515 Baccich St., New Orleans, La.
Gretna	Mrs. G. O. Willis	820 Sixth St., Gretna, La.

Harahan	Mrs. W. F. Martin	362 West Ave., Harahan, La.
Jefferson	Mrs. Roma Lambourne	33 San Mateo Ave., New Orleans, La.
Kenner	Mrs. Ann Arceneaux	923 Fairway Drive, Kenner, La.
Lake Vista	Mrs. J. F. Hoffert	7 Bluebird St., New Orleans, La.
LaPlace	Mrs. Julius Babin	LaPlace, La.
Lutcher	Mrs. F. J. Szubinsky	Lutcher, La.
Munholland	Mrs. Chas. F. Bauer	22 Tokalon Pl., New Orleans 21, La.
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St. Bernard	Mrs. Thomas Martin	P. O. Box 1186, Chalmette, La.
St. Lukes	Mrs. Max K. Clayton	4207 Franklin Ave., New Orleans, La.
St. Marks	Mrs. George Maronge	1322 Conti St., New Orleans, La.
Second Church, N.O.	Mrs. C. F. Graci	2505 Lavender St., New Orleans, La.
John Wesley	Mrs. Jas. Newton	1828 Louisa St., New Orleans, La.
Parker Memorial	Mrs. L. Ray Maxwell	1332 St. Joseph St., New Orleans, La.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. S. Stie, Cotton Valley, Louisiana

Church	Name of Presidents	Address
Colquitt	Mrs. Harold Greer	Rt. 2, Haynesville, La.
Cotton Valley	Mrs. G. W. Holden	Cotton Valley, La.
Haynesville	Mrs. Ivan Weaver	Haynesville, La.
Homer	Mrs. L. C. Sims	Homer, La.
Lisbon	Mrs. Otis Welch	Lisbon, La.
Shongaloo	Mrs. Cecil Bailey	Shongaloo, La.
Springhill	Mrs. Harry Walker, Jr.	Springhill, La.
Summerfield	Mrs. L. A. Wasson	Summerfield, La.

Zone II Leader:

Brushwood	Mrs. LaVelle Perryman	Dubberly, La.
Doyline	Mrs. C. W. Thompson	Doyline, La.
Heflin	Mrs. Paul Jones	Heflin, La.
Lakeview	Mrs. I. C. Prescott	Dixie Inn, Minden, La.
First Church (Minden)	Mrs. Davidson Brown	N. 4th St., Minden, La.

Ringgold.....	Mrs. E. C. Huggins.....	Ringgold, La.
Sibley.....	Mrs. Marshall Gray.....	Sibley, La.
Zone III Leader: Mrs. Lucius McGehee, Downsview, Louisiana		
Bernice.....	Mrs. Geo. E. Lindsey, Jr.....	Bernice, La.
Calhoun.....	Mrs. Claud Roberts.....	Calhoun, La.
Douglas.....	Mrs. Howard Holstead.....	Rt. 1, Ruston, La.
Downsville.....	Mrs. Robert M. McGehee.....	Downsville, La.
Dubach.....	Mrs. J. E. McCallum.....	Dubach, La.
Farmerville.....	Mrs. Cecil Read.....	Farmerville, La.
Grace (Ruston).....	Miss Cliffo Davis.....	507 S. Trenton, Ruston, La.
Harmony Chapel.....	Mrs. Jennings Fuller.....	Hico, La.
Marion.....	Mrs. J. R. Allen.....	Marion, La.
Trinity (Ruston).....	Miss Alma Burk.....	Tech Station, Ruston, La.

Zone IV Leader:

Chatham.....	Mrs. I. A. Ewing.....	Chatham, La.
Eros.....	Mrs. W. E. Rape.....	Eros, La.
Hodge.....	Mrs. John H. Dennis.....	Hodge, La.
Jonesboro.....	Mrs. Rufus Long.....	Knob Hill, Jonesboro, La.
Mt. Pleasant.....	Miss Della Jordan.....	Rt. 2, Chatham, La.
Quitman.....	Mrs. H. G. Koonce.....	Quitman, La.

Zone V Leader: Mrs. Hugh Watley, Athens, Louisiana

Antioch.....	Mrs. C. E. Henley.....	Rt. 1, Ruston, La.
Arcadia.....	Mrs. C. T. Butler.....	Arcadia, La.
Athens.....	Mrs. I. B. Emmons.....	Athens, La.
Bienville.....	Mrs. Elton Toms.....	Bienville, La.
Castor.....	Mrs. Joe Riser.....	Castor, La.
Cross Roads.....	Mrs. Joe Harman.....	Athens, La.
Gibbsland.....	Mrs. E. O. Rogers.....	Gibbsland, La.
Hurricane-Bethel.....	Mrs. V. M. Byrd.....	Arcadia, La.
Salem.....	Mrs. Horace Henry.....	Rt. 1, Hilly, La.
Simsboro.....	Miss Virginia Hyatt.....	Rt. 2, Ruston, La.
Strange.....	Mrs. Tom Reece.....	Rt. 2, Chestnut, La.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. B. E. Stephens, Belcher, La.

Church	Name of President	Address
Blanchard.	Mrs. E. E. Smith.	Box 158, Blanchard, La.
Belcher.	Mrs. W. L. Crain.	Belcher, La.
Benton.	Mrs. Roy Wesson.	Benton, La.
Bossier City.	Mrs. A. C. Davis.	2613 Barbara St., Bossier City, La.
Curtis Park.	Mrs. Harry L. Marshall.	500 Davis St., Barksdale A.F.B. La.
Gilliam.	Mrs. J. J. Douglas.	Gilliam, La.
Houghton.	Mrs. E. A. Jacobson.	R.F.D., Houghton, La.
Hosston.	Mrs. M. A. Roberson.	Gilliam La.
Ida.	Mrs. Crit Petty, Sr.	Ida, La.
Mooringsport.	Mrs. Henry Groll.	Mooringsport, La.
Munsterlyn Chapel.	Mrs. D. O. Wisinger.	Mira, La.
Oil City.	Mrs. R. Burton.	Oil City, La.
Plain Dealing.	Mrs. John H. Allen.	Plain Dealing, La.
Rodessa.	Mrs. R. H. Sexton.	Box 174, Rodessa, La.
Vivian.	Mrs. C. H. McEachern.	Box 322, Vivian, La.

Zone II Leader: Mrs. J. Segura, Mansfield, Louisiana

Bethany.	Mrs. C. F. Rich.	Bethany, La.
Bethel.	Mrs. J. Henry Guinn.	Rt. 1, Logansport, La.
Coushatta.	Mrs. Henry Holley.	Coushatta, La.
East Point.	Mrs. C. R. Conly.	East Point, La.
Grand Cane.	Mrs. Albert Abington.	Grand Cane, La.
Greenwood.	Mrs. J. F. Hawkins.	Greenwood, La.
Hall Summit.	Mrs. D. W. Stewart.	Hall Summit, La.
Keithville.	Mrs. W. F. Henderson.	Keithville, La.
Logansport.	Mrs. W. J. Garland.	Logansport, La.
Mansfield.	Mrs. B. W. Goss.	Box 36, Mansfield, La.
Many.	Mrs. Edwin Fraser.	Myra St., Many, La.
Mitchell.	Mrs. J. D. Sistrunk.	Mitchell, La.
Pelican.	Mrs. J. H. Joyner.	Pelican, La.

Pleasant Hill.....	Mrs. T. W. Hardee.....	Pleasant Hill, La.
Stonewall.....	Mrs. W. L. Gilmer.....	Stonewall, La.
Zwolle.....	Mrs. J. O. Kimbrell, Jr.....	Zwolle, La.
Zone III Leader: Mrs. George F. Barnes, 165 Ockley, Shreveport, La.		
Broadmoor.....	Mrs. Clyde Stallcup.....	280 Leo, Shreveport, La.
Caddo Heights.....	Mrs. Frank D. Giles.....	4019 St. Vincent, Shreveport, La.
Cedar Grove.....	Mrs. C. E. McGowan.....	300 East 75th St., Shreveport, La.
First Church, Shreveport.....	Mrs. T. Haller Jackson.....	924 Oneonta, Shreveport, La.
Forbing.....	Mrs. E. L. Ray.....	Forbing, La.
Mangum Memorial.....	Mrs. J. E. Thompson.....	3629 Lillian, Shreveport, La.
Morningside.....	Mrs. K. C. Feazel.....	5510 Sussex, Shreveport, La.
Noel Memorial.....	Mrs. C. L. Smith.....	125 Leo, Shreveport, La.
North Highlands.....	Mrs. Jack Horton.....	805 Poleman Rd., Shreveport, La.
Park Avenue.....	Mrs. Walter Daniels.....	1615 Fair Place, Shreveport, La.
Trinity.....	Mrs. D. D. Simmons.....	2831 DeVaughn St., Shreveport, La.
Summer Grove.....	Mrs. Oscar Hayes.....	Rt. 1, Box 102 A, Keithville, La.
Wesley.....	Mrs. L. F. Aycock.....	7015 Louise St., Shreveport, La.
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